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City private hospital doctors head for Belagavi

NO new admissions; NO casualty; NO out-patient services

Mysuru, Nov.12 (RK&BCT)- Healthcare services in city will be crippled tomorrow as more than 600 private hospital doctors are leaving to Belagavi today as part of "Belagavi Chalo" to protest against the proposed amendments to the Karnataka Private Medical Establishments (KPME) Act. The doctors from Mysuru will join over 25,000 doctors from across the State who are assembling at Suvarna Soudha in Belagavi where the Winter Session of the Assembly is scheduled to begin tomorrow.

There will be no new admission of patients, no casualty and no Out-Patient Departments (OPD) at over 150 hospitals in Mysuru city and over 1,300 clinics and nursing homes. Along with private hospitals in city, private hospitals in rural areas too will be affected. Only in-patients will be treated by junior doctors and Post-Graduate Medical students. Almost all the senior doctors are leaving for Belagavi.

According to reports, doctors have already started leaving Mysuru in batches and by noon, over four Volvo buses carrying doctors have left the city. The rest will leave in their private vehicles and taxies. "We have over 600 senior medical practitioners drawn from all private hospitals in city and by this evening, more than nine buses will leave the city. Other doctors are expected to take their own vehicles and taxies," Indian Medical Association (IMA) - Mysuru Chapter President Dr. Vishveshwar told *Star of Mysore*.

He said that it was a "do or die" situation for the doctors and they were opposing the "draconian" laws proposed by the State Government. "From tomorrow, we will give a deadline of three days for the Government to drop the proposed amendments. If the Government fails to do so, we will be forced to resign from medical profession.

(See DOCTORS on page 9)

Private hospital doctors assemble at Kamakshi Hospital in Kuvempunagar this noon before heading for Belagavi.

Karnataka, Kerala agree on revised rail route to Mysuru via Kodagu

Thalassery-Mysuru line will now pass through Manandavadi, Kutta, Balele and Thithimathi to reach Mysuru

Kozhikode / Bengaluru, Nov. 12- After prolonged difference of opinion on the proposed Thalassery-Mysuru railway line, the Kerala and Karnataka governments have agreed to conduct a survey before preparing a Detailed Project Report (DPR) on the revised Thalassery-Mysuru line via Manandavadi in Kerala.

The railway line will pass through Koothuparamba, Manandavadi, Kutta, Kanoor, Balele, and Thithimathi to reach Mysuru.

The agreement was reached following a high-level meeting between officials led by Kerala Chief Secretary K.M. Abraham and Karnataka Chief Secretary Subhash Chandra Khuntia in Bengaluru on Thursday. Konkan Railway Corporation Limited will conduct the physical survey.

Kerala Rail Development Corporation Limited and the Railways, formed on 51:49 equity partnerships to develop railway infrastructure in the State, will foot the bill for the survey.

Both the governments have expressed interest in the revised route via Manandavadi, given that the line will cause minimum ecological damage.

For the record, the project was taken up for discussion at a meeting between Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan and Railway Board Chairman Ashwani Lohani in Thiruvananthapuram recently.

New station at Periyapatna to connect Kushalnagar

Sources said that a new station at Periyapatna would be included in the proposed route so as to link it to the proposed Mysuru-Kushalnagar (Kodagu) railway line, for which a survey is being conducted.

With the agreement, two earlier projects — Thalassery-Mysuru railway line, in which the Kerala Chief Minister's Office had expressed interest and Nilambur-Nanjangud line — have been dropped, they added.

The rail network will not disturb any of the protected places such as Brahmagiri Wildlife Sanctuary, Nagarahole National Park and Bandipur Tiger Reserve in Karnataka.

Once the DPR is ready, the Ministry of Railways will begin procedures to conduct an environmental impact assessment and obtain mandatory clearances from multiple agencies, including the Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, and finally present the recommendations of the National Board for Wildlife, chaired by the Prime Minister, to the Supreme Court.

MCC holds meeting

of Swachhata Abhiyan Ambassadors

MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha** (extreme right) **makes a point at Swachhata Abhiyan Ambassadors' meeting held in city this morning as former MLC D. Madegowda, Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama's Swami Mokshatmanandaji, member of Mysore royal family Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, Yoga exponent H. Kushi, cricketer Javagal Srinath and Mayor M.J. Ravikumar look on.

Mysuru, Nov. 12 (US&RK)- With the National Cleanliness Survey due to commence from Jan. 4 to adjudge the cleanest city in India, MCC had organised a meeting of the five Ambassadors of Swachhata Abhiyan at Palace premises this morning.

The meeting was attended by Swachhata Abhiyan Ambassadors Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, Cricketer Javagal Srinath and Yoga exponent H. Kushi. The other Ambassador Swami Athmajnanandaji of Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, who could not make it, was represented by Swami Mokshatmanandaji of the Ashrama while Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, the other Ambassador, could not attend the meeting.

Also present were MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, Mayor M.J. Ravikumar and other officers along with former MLC D. Madegowda.

(See ABHIYAN on page 9)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."
Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.
Mysuru, Sunday 12th November 2017

Walkathon to mark 'World Diabetes Day' on Nov. 14

Mysuru, Nov. 12 (VNS)- Dr. Mohan's Diabetes Specialities Centre, Gokulam, has organised a walkathon on Nov. 14 as part of World Diabetes Day.

The day is being observed with the theme 'Women and Diabetes – Our Right to a Healthy Future.' The walkathon will be flagged off from Cheluvamba Park at 7 am and will pass through Vontikoppal signal, V.V. Mohalla 6th Main and culminate at Dr. Mohan's Diabetes Specialities Centre on Gokulam Main Road.

Registration is free and all participants will be given a T-shirt and cap.

Later, Dr. P.M. Uthappa, Head, Department of Nephrology, Columbia Asia Hospital, Dr. Renukaprasad, Consultant and Head, Dr. Mohan's Diabetes Specialities Centre and Dr. Manoj, Viteroretinal Surgeon, The Mysuru Retina Care, will deliver awareness talks.

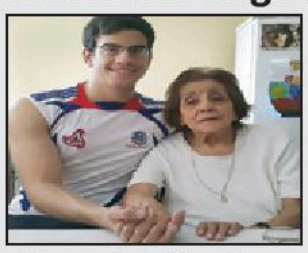
The Centre will also conduct a mega health camp during which screening will be done for blood sugar, BP and diabetic retinopathy. This apart, free HBA1C test for first 100 patients, BMI assessment, body fat analysis/ IDRS analysis, diet counselling, specialists consultation will be done between 8.30 am and 5 pm. Breakfast will be provided at the Centre between 8.30 am and 9.30 am.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

While biologists look at enhanced longevity as a triumph, the economists seem to have a more grim perception (from a fiscal point of view). An increasing population of older people means increased expenditure on healthcare and pensions. On the contrary, the dramatic rising costs of healthcare are more attributable to rising drug and doctor costs, and higher use of diagnostic testing by all age groups, than the ageing population. The increase in the number of older people, especially of the oldest old, will soon prompt the need for specialised services for residential and home-care. In this lies a potential workforce opportunity due to a greater availability of jobs. For the first time a demographic pattern has emerged with a middle aged couple likely to have more living parents than children. There has been an increasing emphasis on age-friendly society and environment in the narratives of UN agencies. To develop an age-friendly society, it is a necessity to be age-inclusive first. One of the methods proposed has been to increase the retirement age to enable them to continually contribute to the society. Retirement is a bitter-sweet term for most of the older citizens. For many people, retirement signifies a change from independence to complete dependence. — *Dr. A.B. Dey and Dr. Gaurav Desai in The New The Indian Express*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Mean Marriage !



Buenos Aires: When it comes to getting money, some people will do just about anything, even marry their relatives. Take 25-year-old Mauricio Ossola, from Argentina, who last year married his 91-year-old great-aunt, so he could collect a widower's pension after she died. Mauricio moved in with his great aunt Yolanda, in the city of Salta, north-west Argentina, eight years ago, after his parents split up. Apparently they get along very well that two years ago Yolanda agreed to marry Mauricio so that he could collect a widower's pension after she was gone. The then 23-year-old had told the woman that he planned to quit his law studies due to financial constraints, and she assured him that she would do everything she can to make sure he graduates. They tied the knot in Feb. 2015, and 14 months after the bizarre union, Yolanda passed away from sepsis, and Mauricio soon applied for a widower's pension, to fulfil his late wife's/great-aunt's wish. Unfortunately, things did not go smoothly as he thought, as social services denied his request after the 91-year-old woman's neighbours told that they knew nothing about the marriage.

Different story of divorce!

Cairo: A 28-year-old Egyptian newly-wed woman, is seeking a divorce after only two weeks of marriage because her husband does all of the household chores. Her husband, 31, also runs a successful clothing store, where he employs several staff members and is therefore able to spend most of his time at home. Samar claims that Mohammad, is acting like a housewife, and she has grown bored of him. She eventually confronted her husband but said that he responded by saying that if she wanted to live in his house, she had to follow his rules. The woman, known only as Samar has filed a complaint in Family Court in New Cairo, saying, "My husband did not give me the freedom to handle my home affairs, I feel like a guest in a hotel." She is seeking *'khula,'* a procedure through which a Muslim woman can divorce her husband by returning the dower *(mahr)* that she received to marry him. The case is pending before the court.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What's an effective way to stop hiccups?

Exhale to empty your lungs of air, then take a deep breath. Hold for 10 seconds, then exhale. Inhale again and hold for 5 seconds, then return to normal breathing. A New York University study found this technique to be 100% effective.

**Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Nominated to National Task Force Committee

Mysuru, Nov. 12- Dr. Renu Agarwal, former Chief Scientist of CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru, has been nominated to the National Task Force Committee for a period of three years by the Ministry of Science and Technology, Department of Science and Technology (DST), for Guiding and Mentoring Cluster Development Project in Uttarakhand.

Dr. Renu Agarwal

During the birth centenary celebrations of Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhayay, the SEED Division of DST initiated a Cluster Development programme in Uttarakhand in association with UCOST, Dehradun. Under the aegis of Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhayay Vigyan Gram Sankul Pariyojana, a pilot has been launched at four locations — Gaindikhata (Haridwar), Bazeera (Rudraprayag), Bhigun (Tehri) and Kausani (Bageshwar) — in the State that would entail knowledge of various experts and motivators for holistic advancement at grassroots level through S&T interventions.

The Task Force, headed by *Padma Shri* Dr. Mahesh Sharma, Chairman, Graniodaya Network, N. Delhi, comprises B.K. Bhatt, Scientist, MNRE, New Delhi; Dr. Renu Agarwal, former Chief Scientist, CFTRI; Dr. Vibha Gupta, Magan Sanghralaya, Wardha, Maharashtra; Prof. Shivendra K. Kashyap, GBPUAT, Pantnagar, Uttarakhand; Dilip Surkar, Director, VIKSAT, Ahmedabad, Gujarat; Arun Dhand, Director, UPES, Dehradun, Uttarakhand; Dr. Sharad Srivastava, Principal Scientist, CSIR-NBRI, Lucknow, UP; Dr. A.K. Singh, Principal Scientist, ICAR-NDRI, Karnal, Haryana; Dr. G.S. Jarial, former Consultant, MPCOST, Bhopal, MP; Paramjit Singh, Regional Centre for Entrepreneurship Development, Chandigarh; Dr. Shilpi Paul, Scientist E, SERB, New Delhi; Dr. Rashmi Sharma, Scientist E, SEED Division, DST.

Really...?

- *The ancient Chinese used natural gas for lighting as early as 500 BC using bamboo pipelines to transport the gas for miles.*
- *Ancient Egyptians had a pregnancy test where potentially pregnant women peed on barley and wheat seeds. Plant growth indicated pregnancy: barley for a boy and wheat for a woman. Later tests show urine of pregnant women does cause plant growth 70% of the time, while urine of non-pregnant women does not.*
- *The world's strongest beer called "Snake Venom" is 68% alcohol by volume and is stronger than whiskey.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Jerry came from School and told his Dad: *Dad, I got detention today.* ***Dad:*** *Why?*
Jerry: *The teacher pointed a stick at me and said there is an idiot at the end of this stick.*
Dad: *Then what?*
Jerry: *I asked which end!?*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 65.39
1 UK Pound	Rs. 86.26
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 17.80
1 Euro	= Rs. 76.28

VOICE OF THE READER

Brandenburg Gate in 1975: Down the memory lane

Sir,

Going through V.R. Srinivasa Murthy's additional information on the historic Brandenburg Gate write-up by KBG *(SOM* dated Nov.9) I was reminded of my visit to (West) Berlin. I was in Europe along with a Directors' delegation from a Central PSU in the spring of 1975. We were to visit a factory in West Berlin and we were sent by a flight from Frankfurt strictly on a flight corridor (only AF, BA and PAN-AM flights allowed and not LH) to West Berlin. The flight, after landing, **moved to an underground base** as per my memory.

After completing our factory visit, we were taken around the city and were shown the huge Berlin Wall **which in certain places divided a residential house, where one portion was in West Berlin and the rest was in East Berlin** (controlled by Soviets).

Next we were taken to a place about 100 mts. from the famous Brandenburg Gate and the accompanying German officer explained the whole history behind it and we looked at the Gate guarded by two Soviet soldiers standing on each side of the Gate.

I felt like going close to the guards and greet them in Russian but was advised by the German officer against it. I relented and requested the leader of our delegation to permit me to go a bit close, greet and come back. He agreed and I went towards the guards who started staring at me. **I smiled and going a little closer to them greeted them in Russian and spoke to them about my nationality and umpteen visits to Moscow.** When they shook hands with me, I requested them whether I could peep into the other side (Russian side) of the huge Gate.

After mutual consultation, they allowed me a minute's stay and opened the huge gate partially. Lo, what a beautiful sight it was on the side controlled by the Soviets. I thanked them profusely and returned to my team eagerly watching from a distance.

—H.N. Rama Murthy
Kuvempunagar
9.11.2017

MAA Utsav 2017 on Dec. 9, 10

Mysuru, Nov.12 (SP&NNN)- Mysore Medical College Alumni Association is holding a two-day MAA Utsav 2017 on Dec.9 and 10 at the MMC Platinum Jubilee Auditorium, J.K. Grounds.

Addressing a press meet here yesterday at Pathrakartara Bhavan, MAA President Dr. H.T. Chidananda said that Adichunchungiri Mutt Seer Sri Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji will inaugurate the festival on Dec.9 at 5.30 pm.

Former Vice-Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences (RGUHS) Dr. Kantha Jadhav will be the chief guest. Former RGUHS Vice-Chancellor Dr. S. Chandrashekar Shetty, Dean and Director, Mysore Medical College and Research Institute, Dr. S. Radhamani and Director of Institute of Diabetology, Bengaluru, Dr. M.A. Shekar will be the guests of honour.

On this occasion, a Research Fund of Rs. One crore for Post Graduate Medical Student collected by MMC-67 batch of students will be launched. Gym-K, a book written by Dr. Hirennegowda, will be released. Twenty senior doctors from 1955 batch will be felicitated as part of the Utsav, said Dr. Chidananda.

MAA members are requested to register their names before Dec.6 at the Platinum Jubilee Auditorium. For details, call Ph: 0821-2428258, he said.

ENT specialist Dr. T.N. Mahadevappa and Cultural Committee Chairman Dr. Thippeswamy were present during the press meet.

However, on Dec.9, a 'Scientific Programme' has been organised, which will be inaugurated by Acharya Dr. M. Nagaraju, Gastroenterologist, Suvarnamukhi Samskhruthi Dhama, Bengaluru, at 9 am at MMC Platinum Jubilee Auditorium.

'Laksha Deepotsava' at Dharmasthala from tomorrow

Dharmasthala, Nov.12- 'Laksha Deepotsava' will be held at Srikshetra Dharmasthala for five days from Nov. 13 to 17.

Everyday various cultural programmes will be held from 5.30 pm onwards.

Higher Education Minister Basavaraja Rayareddy will inaugurate 'Sarva Dharma Sammelana' on Nov.16 at 5 pm. Dr. Mysore Manjunath and Mysore Nagaraj will present violin duet from 8.30 pm to 10 pm.

Writer Sudha Murty will inaugurate 'Sahitya Sammelana' on Nov.17 at 5 pm. Radhakalpa Dance Company artistes will present Bharatanatyam from 8.30 pm to 10 pm.

City violinists to perform

Range practice by RPF in Mandya: Villagers cautioned

Mysuru, Nov.12- The Railway Protection Force (RPF), Mysuru Division of South Western Railway, will be conducting the Annual Classification target practice from 20.11.2017 to 23.11.2017 and from 18.12.2017 to 20.12.2017 at Dodda Byadarahalli Police Firing Range of Mandya District.

Therefore, the neighbouring villagers are requested to avoid movement of people and livestock in and around of Dodda Byadarahalli firing Range of Mandya district during the above said period to avoid any untoward incidents, according to Dr. S.G. Yathish, Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager, SWR.

Get-together of Jayalakshmi Kodava Association

Mysuru, Nov.12- The 13th Annual Get-together of Jayalakshmi Kodava Association will be held on Nov.19 at 9.45 am at Kodagu Sahakara Sangha, Jayalakshmipuram, Mysuru.

Kodavas, residing in Jayalakshmipuram, V.V. Mohalla, Vinayakanagara and Yadavagiri extensions, may attend the get-together with family members.

Calling Central Govt. Pensioners

Mysuru, Nov.12 (SV)- The Central Government Pensioners' Association, Mysuru, will be celebrating 'Pensioners Day' during December at Sadvidya Educational Institutions in city at 10.30 am.

Members, who have completed 75 years and above, are requested to send their bio-data along with a passport size photo to before Dec.7 to the President of the Association Dr. T.S. Satyanarayana Rao, No. 59/D5, 'Arka,' 2nd Main, 2nd Cross, Yadavagiri, Mysuru-570020.

For details, contact Ph: 0821-2514284, according to a release.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Discourse

Discourse on 'Danvantari Jayanti' by Vid. B.G. Ananta has been organised at Ashtanga Yogavijnana Mandiram premises, Seshadri Iyer Road, Lakshmipuram, today at 7 pm.

CMA course

The Institute of Cost Accountants of India, Mysuru Chapter, has begun admission for Foundation, Intermediate and Final Course of CMA for June 2018. Those interested may contact the Institute office at #1420, 7th Cross, Krishnamurthypuram, Mysuru -570004 between 10 am and 12 noon or 5.30 pm and 7 pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2331083 or Mob: 95388-40841.

Entries invited for awards

The Mysuru Sahitya Mattu Samskrutika Pratishtana has invited entries from talented children and youths for conferment of 'Balashri', 'Yuvashri' and 'Sadhanashri' awards. The Balashri award is open to children aged below 14 years, 'Yuvashri' for teens aged between 14 and 18 years and 'Sadhanashri' for youths aged between 18 and 21 years. For details, contact Mob: 98863-41957 or 77604-28226.

Office -bearers

Following have been elected unopposed as the office-bearers of Mysore University Non-Teaching Employees Association recently: M.N. Harishbabu - President, P. Meravanna, M.D. Channabasappa - Vice-Presidents, P. Prakash - Secretary, T. Hemalatha, K. Manjula - Joint Secretaries, C. Purushotham - Treasurer; K.T. Manu, M. Yadav, Kantharaj, P. Chikkajyothi, M. Mahesh, K.B. Murthy, S. Mahadevappa, D. Shivanna, S. Prasad, J.M. Mahadevu, C.C. Ramegowda, Vinesh and S. Rathnavathi - Executive Committee Members.

Health camp for new born babies

Suyog Hospital, Ramakrishnanagar, will be organising a week-long Health Screening Camp for new born infants for checking inherited disease from Nov.15 to 21. The infants will be screened for inherited diseases through blood tests. [Ph: 2566966 or 97395-55804]

Karthika Puja

As part of Karthika month, Maharudrabhisheka and other rituals will be performed at Sri Male Mahadeshwaraswamy Temple located at 3rd Cross, Garadikeri, Lashkar Mohalla, tomorrow (Nov.13) morning. On the occasion, children of School for Deaf, Dumb and Blind, Bamboo Bazar, in city, will be served food at 1 pm. A procession of the deity will be taken out on prominent roads of the locality at 7 pm [Mob: 94486-03316].

83rd Akhila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana

Minister launches 'Kannada Theru'

Mysuru, Nov.12 (PM&DM)- District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa launched 'Kannada Theru,' the mobile publicity vehicle for the 83rd Akhila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana at Maharaja's College Grounds here yesterday.

Later speaking to press persons, Dr. Mahadevappa said that 'Kannada Theru' will cover extensive campaigns in Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar districts.

The State Government has released Rs. 8 crore for the Sammelana, he said and added that the District Kannada Sahitya Parishat and the District Administration have been working in co-ordination for total success of the Meet.

Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Chennappa said that the vehicle has been specially-designed at a cost of Rs. 5 lakh. The vehicle will pass through Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar districts until Nov.19. The Theru, which traversed in the city yesterday, will traverse in Bannur and T. Narasipur today (Nov. 12), Suttur, Nanjangud and H.D. Kote on Nov.13, Hunsur and Periyapatna on Nov. 14, K.R. Nagar on Nov.15, Mandya district on Nov. 16 and 17, Chamarajanagar district on Nov.18 before returning to Mysuru city on Nov.19. The Taluk units of Kannada Sahitya Parishat will make arrangements to welcome the car, he added.

KANNADA THERU

The vehicle is tastefully decorated and embellished with the images of Kannada littérateurs who are winners of Jnanapith awards. The tableaux of Goddess Bhuvaneshwari has been engraved into the exterior of Eicher goods vehicle on either side, with the front designed so has to resemble the Darbar Hall of Mysore Palace. Apart from the image of the Palace, portraits of Chief Minister Siddharamaiah and Sammelana Chairman Dr. Chandrashekar Patil, popularly known as Champa, also find a place on the vehicle, which also has Karnataka map and flags.

Focus on treating Sahitya Sammelana guests well: District Minister

Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa holds preparatory meeting

Mysuru, Nov.12- Pointing out that the State Government has sanctioned Rs. 8 crore to conduct the three-day 83rd Kannada Sahitya Sammelana, District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa said that any overheads would have to be borne by the organisers. Speaking at the Sammelana preparatory meeting at the Government Guest House here yesterday, Dr. Mahadevappa emphasised the need for all the participants of the 3-day meet to be treated well.

Pointing out that an ambulance and emergency health care services would be provided at all the three venues of the meet, the Minister stressed on the need for hygienic and systematic distribution of food and to maintain clean surroundings at the venues.

When Kannada activist M.N. Gopalakrishana raised the issue of singer Vijaya Prakash, who is from Mysuru, demanding Rs.13 lakh to perform at the Sammelana, the Minister said "We have the right to drop him if Vijaya Prakash's demand is not within our budget. We will stay in our limits and we are not going to pay Rs. 13 lakh for an artiste."

Continuing, the Minister said that delegates and participants from Mysuru would not be provided lodging facilities. The organisers should see if Convention Halls could be rented to provide accommodation to the participants, he added.

Exhorting all delegates and participants to take responsibilities of the Sammelana, Mahadevappa said: "We should ensure this event is a grand success and is spoken about in international circles. The Government will do everything in its capacity towards this end."

The Minister further said that as many as 13 Sub-Committees would work in tandem to ensure the success of the Sammelana. The responsibility of ensuring that the Sammelana takes place without any hassles lies with the Sub-Committees, he added.

Sri Ganapathy Sachchidanananda Ashrama donated Rs.3 lakh to the Sammelana, by presenting a cheque to the District Administration.

DC D. Randeep, MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna, ZAK Chairperson Mallige Veeresh, KSGH Music University VC Dr. Sarvamangala Shamkar, Littérateurs Dr. CPK, K.S. Bhagawan, C. Naganna, M. Chandrashekar and Kannada activists took part.

Attention Diversion

Woman snatches gold chain of elderly lady in broad daylight

Mysuru, Nov.12 (RK&KS) - An incident of a con woman, diverting the attention of an elderly lady and yanking off the gold chain the elderly woman was wearing and fleeing from the spot has been reported on Hunsur Road near Hootagalli yesterday.

The elderly woman, who lost her gold chain weighing about 33 grams, has been identified as 60-year-old Chikkabhadramma, a resident of Hootagalli near Yashasvini Kalyana Mantap.

Chikkabhadramma, who alighted from a bus at Hinkal, was walking towards her house at about 1 pm yesterday, when a woman walking on the same path, dropped her purse and was walking away.

Chikkabhadramma, who saw the woman dropping her purse, called her and proceeded to hand over the purse during which the woman is said to have smeared some powdery substance on Chikkabharamma's hand following which the elderly woman's eyes became blur for sometime.

After her eyesight became normal, Chikkabhadramma realised that her gold chain was missing and lodged a complaint with Vijayanagar Police.

Vijayanagar Inspector Vijay and staff, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar, registered a case and are investigating.

KPME Act Amendment

and 'Belagavi Chalo' by Doctors

What is that we are opposing?

By Dr. K.S. Kumar
Consultant Paediatric Surgeon, Mysuru

Lakhs of patients are facing untold misery by the ongoing tussle between doctors and the Karnataka Government. They are caught in the crossfire for no fault of theirs. Doctors want them to understand their plight and why they are forced to take to the streets.

The KPME Act (Karnataka Private Medical Establishment) was introduced in 2007 with an intention to weed out quacks and identify genuine medical practitioners. What it turned out to be is nothing but a sham, only to harass genuine doctors and registered hospitals.

Doctors and hospitals had to produce a certificate from the State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) every year and also have a tie-up with a biomedical waste disposal agency renewed annually. The license of the clinic/ hospital was to be renewed every 5 years and it turned out to be a money-making LICENCE RAJ.

With elections round the corner and with the Government Health Sector in a shambles, Karnataka Health Minister convinced the Chief Minister to get the KPME Act amended.

A Committee formed under the former Chief Justice Vikramjit Sen and had submitted its report to include government hospitals too in the Act to bring standard of care and professionalism into the Health sector.

The powers that be realised that the Government Sector is grappling with problems of a different century — (one can see statements in newspapers that wheelchair and stretchers will be procured and henceforth, there will be no shortages of the same in Government Hospitals) The Government Health Sector was happily removed from Justice Vikramjit Sen's recommendation and only private medical establishments were included.

What are the points that every practising doctor finds difficult to accept?

1. The constitution of a Grievance Redressal Forum at every district: The members of which are more 'babus' than professionals (Zilla Panchayat CEO, Superintendent of Police, Public Prosecutor, Ayush Department representative and appointees from the Government, along with one District Health Officer).

Now everyone can see between lines that this committee is going to be nothing but an extortion method by the people in power. The doctors are already covered by the District/ State/ Central Consumer Redressal Forums.

In addition, if there are any lapses on the part of the doctors they are liable in various civil and criminal courts and also the Medical Council (State and Central).

With so many Grievance Redressal Forums, the Health Minister wants to add one more and the reason he has publicly stated is that the above mechanisms are time-consuming and cumbersome. Now will the same people in power do the same to crores of cases pending in various courts and establish Kangaroo courts without judges but 'babus' for faster justice??

Also, please note that in the new forum that is being constituted, doctors have to present themselves personally and cannot be represented by a lawyer.

Even a dreaded terrorist like Kasab was provided with a lawyer but why prevent doctors from defending themselves with a lawyer?

2. The Government is going to fix rates of all treatments at all private hospitals and any expenditure exceeding it will attract stiff penalty (Rs. 5 lakh) and a jail term up to 3 years. We do agree that there are a small miniscule of hospitals which overcharge patients but that doesn't mean all the doctors are doing it.

This Act will virtually prevent many small hospitals from accepting critical and high-risk cases as the complications may be unforeseen at the beginning and no doctor would like to sit behind bars for 3 years.

3.The renewal of licence which was once in 5 years has been brought down to every 3 years to make more money.

4.There cannot be any private clinical establishment with laboratory facilities within 250 metres of any Government hospital (Now if Government hospitals had all the required labs and investigations why would anyone go outside or why would any private investor invest and waste his money?)

It would be prudent to mention that there are hospital accreditation agencies like JCI and NABH.

These agencies have stringent standards to be met regarding quality of care/ patient safety and nursing.

There are many private hospitals which are already accredited across the State. But can the honourable Health Minister show even one Government Hospital with the same standards?

With these amendments in the Act the government is just portraying that doctors are fighting only for money and this amendment is to rein them in.

To protest against the said amendment being tabled, we have tried all sorts of talks and had meetings with everyone including the Chief Minister and have even resorted to a token strike on Nov. 3.

When all these have failed we are forced to undertake the 'Belagavi Chalo' protest and the subsequent fast and the indefinite closure of services from Nov. 13.

Laser to cure recurrence of blockages in heart

Doctors at Sri Jayadeva Institute used the new technology on three patients

Bengaluru, Nov.12- When a 78-year-old male patient, who had got a stent 10 years ago, returned with the same problem to the Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research, doctors were worried as the patient had blockages that do not yield to conventional balloon angioplasty.

Dr. Manjunath

Although they tried to perform another conventional procedure, it went in vain as the blockages were 'tough.' Moreover, doctors were not keen on open heart surgery because of the patient's age and also because he had already undergone open heart valve replacement surgery prior to the stent procedure.

They were able to help the patient thanks to Excimer Laser Coronary Atherectomy (ELCA), a new tool for treating complex blockages in coronary arteries.

Institute Director C.N. Manjunath, along with a team of doctors, used the new tool on three elderly patients and successfully performed South India's first laser angioplasty in Jayadeva Hospital on Nov. 10.

"Two of the three patients, who showed re-blockage symptoms of chest pain on minimal exertion, had undergone stenting procedures 10 years ago. All three had tough blockages not yielding to conventional balloon angioplasty. Such blockages, which are not easily opened by conventional techniques, have higher chances of restenosis (re-narrowing) and stent thrombosis," said Dr. Manjunath. "The laser catheter connected to a laser console emits ultra violet light energy to the blockage segment. This vaporises the hard component of the lesion by photo thermal, chemical and mechanical methods, and facilitates good stent deployment. All of us in the cath-lab, including the patient, had to wear glasses as the laser can damage our eyes," he explained.

Dr. Manjunath was accompanied by Interventional Cardiologists Nimith Shah, T.R. Raghu and L. Sridhar. "The surgery was done free of cost for all the three patients. They are doing well and will be discharged on Monday," the doctor added.

'Janaushadha Centre' at Srirampura

Rs. 2.5 lakh subsidy for setting up centre

Mysuru, Nov. 12 - Former Minister S.A. Ramdas inaugurated 'Pradhan Mantri Janaushadha Centre' at Srirampura Extension here yesterday.

Speaking on the occasion, Ramdas said that this was the 2,981st centre in the country.

Pointing out that the Union Government has aimed at crossing the 3,000 figure mark by the end of this year, he said that based on demand, the centre will release 123dungs, including those for diabetes, BP etc., in a fortnight.

Continuing, the former Minister said that the centre has planned to make available nutritious food for children and patients suffering from diabetes. Noting that Prime Minister Narendra Modi is working on a National Pharmaceutical Policy, he said that he welcomes the idea of prescribing low priced and quality Janaushadha drugs by doctors.

Observing that everyone should support the Prime Minister's initiative for curbing the pharmaceutical lobby, he said and added that more publicity campaigns should be launched for popularising 'Janaushadha.'

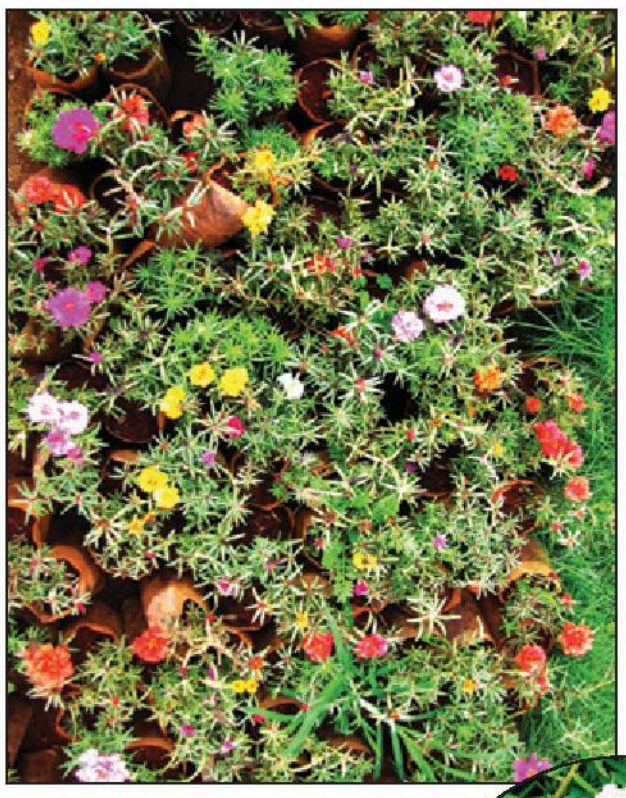
Calling upon the members of the public, especially the youth for setting up the centres in every ward, he said that the Union Government will provide Rs.2.5 Lakh subsidy (Rs.10,000 for 25 months) for the general public and Rs. 3 lakh subsidy (Rs. 10,000 for 30 months) for SC/ST applications. Also, the banks will extend loans for setting up of the centres, he added.

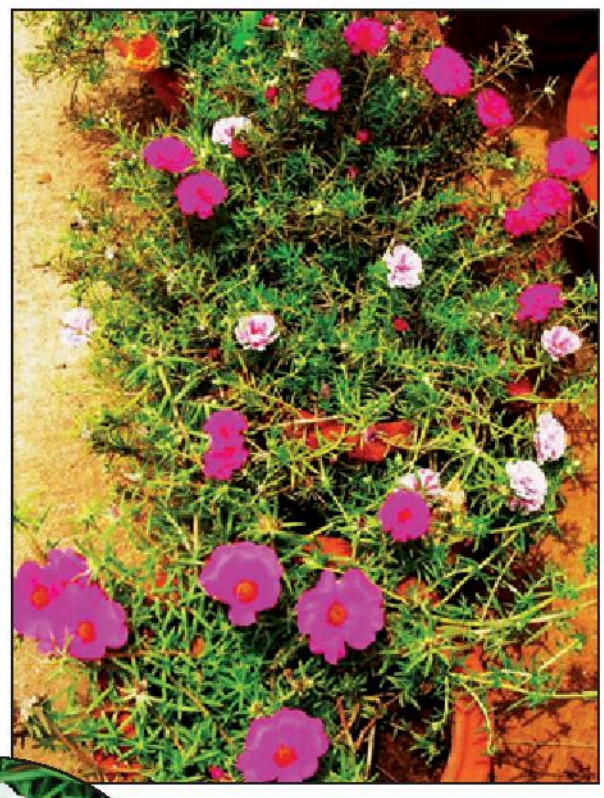
Ramdas received useful suggestions from members of the public, which will be forwarded to the concerned Union Minister.

Srirampura Centre owner Radhakrishna Iyengar, leaders umapathi , Erappa Gowda, Nagabushan and others were present. For more details call - 94484-05370.

Of different hues...

Starry little flowers of Portulaca Grandiflora

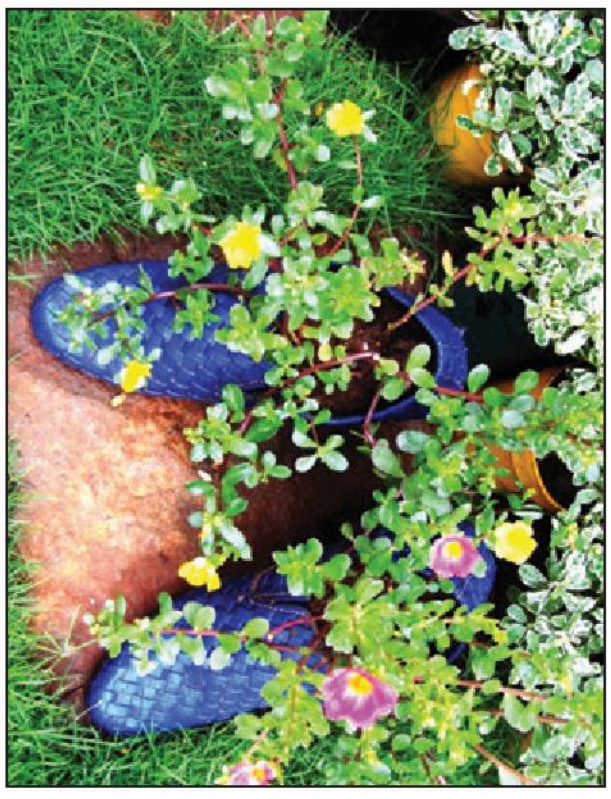




For those who are interested in a plant which grows fast, requires less care, yet it produces most charming and multicoloured flowers then Portulaca grandiflora is the perfect choice. It is a beautiful and elegant flowering annual suitable for outdoor garden or balcony. This plant can be grown with greater advantage anywhere in containers (pots, hanging pots; window boxes), flower beds, rockeries, for edging larger plants and lawns.

The richness and grandness of this little plant makes you believe "small is beautiful." The plant belongs to the family Portulacaceae and is known by many common names like Rose moss, Eleven o'clock, Mexican rose, Moss rose, Sun rose and Rock rose. In some regions of India, it is called *"Nau bajiya"* or "9 o'clock flower."

Portulaca grandiflora is a native of South America (Southern Brazil, Uruguay and Northern Argentina). It is a pretty hardy annual with fresh blooming flowers. This neat plant with succulent foliage grows to a height of 15 cm with prostrate habit as the stems tend to lie along the ground. The reddish stems and the bright green leaves which are simple, thick and fleshy are arranged alternately or in small clusters. They vary in shape, either flat or cylindrical with pointed tips as seen in many of the ornamental varieties. Flowers borne on the stem tips, single, semi double or double, in shades of pink, red, yellow, white and orange (except blue). Some are striped or spotted with contrasting colours, many with pretty ruffled petals. They appear successively for nearly 3 months. Flowers wait for sunlight before opening fully and then form a carpet of colourful starlets amidst the decorative foliage. There are several strains, cultivars and mixes available. 'Margarita,' 'Sundial' series and 'Calypso mix' varieties are favourites and produce a large percentage of double blooms in an excellent range of colours. The 'Sundial' series cultivars bloom in cooler and cloudier weather with double flowers while 'Afternoon Delight' stays open longer in the afternoon.



TREE FACTS

USEFUL TIPS

- Give sunny position, good drainage and aeration, which help in producing an abundance of charming blooms.
- Better water in the evening or early morning, but never after the flowers are open. If watered when the flowers are open, especially in flower beds, the stems tend to bend down with a bad appearance.
- Replace the beds / pots once in 3 months with fresh cuttings / shoots. Otherwise the plants would over grow (overgrowth of foliage) with reduced flowering.
- Give an additional dose of cow dung manure after a month of transplant / cutting, the plant grows profusely. Remove dead heads to prevent self-sowing.
- It is generally free from pests. However, bavistin (1g/lit) and rogor (1 ml/ litre of water) at an interval of 15 days keep the plant healthy and green.
- It can also be grown in small containers with ease (waste plastic bowls, ice-cream bowls, used shoes etc.).

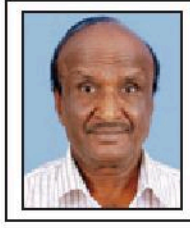
PROPAGATION

They can be grown either from seeds or cuttings. Seedlings can be raised in beds or seed pans. Simply spread the seeds on the surface of the soil but do not cover, as light aides germination. More importantly one has to handle the fresh seedlings with care while transplanting to pots or beds, as they dislike transplanting. It is easily grown by cuttings which can be planted directly into the soil of a well-prepared bed. Generally 4-5 twigs (terminal cuttings) would suffice for a medium-sized hanging pot. In the bed, the cuttings can be planted at a distance of 6-9". A mat of foliage starts developing within a month and starts flowering.

Recommended potting mixture is 1 part sand + 1 part leaf mould + 1 part red earth + 2 parts cow dung manure. Fill the pot leaving a space of 1" from the rim. A teaspoonful of superphosphate or handful of bone meal (for a basket of compost) helps good germination and growth. Water normally but allow the compost to dry out in between watering. The plant is resistant to adverse conditions like draught and can thrive well even on a poor soil. Furthermore, the plant can be maintained with a better floral display both during hot and cold seasons, almost round the year, with proper maintenance.

WHERE TO SEE

Many house gardens and public parks.



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City's oldest Church renovated, re-dedicated

Church houses a stained glass painting of St. Bartholomew donated by Maharaja Krishnaraja Wadiyar IV

The renovated St. Bartholomew's Church which was re-dedicated this morning. Picture right shows the stained glass painting donated by Krishnaraja Wadiyar IV.

Mysuru, Nov. 12 (KS)- St. Bartholomew's Church, city's oldest Church was today re-dedicated after being renovated. The Church was re-dedicated this morning by Rev. Sr. Sujatha, Vice-President of Church of South India- Karnataka Southern Diocese (CSI-KSD) in the presence of previous Presbyters of the Church, Minority Department Director Puttaraju, Corporator Shivanna, members of the Church and dignitaries.

Earlier, the members and dignitaries, who assembled in front of the Church, took out a procession round the Church following which a special service was held in the renovated Church

Rev. Gilbert

Rev. Gilbert, Presbyter of St. Bartholomew's Church, speaking to *Star of Mysore* said that the Church was renovated through the fund from the Minority Department and contributions from the members of the Church.

Speaking about the renovation, Rev. Gilbert said that false roofing, construction of the compound, flooring using granite slabs, complete electrification and painting has been undertaken and added that a LCD Projector with screen has been installed and the sound system has been upgraded using the fund.

Rev. Gilbert said that St. Bartholomew's Church stands as an exemplary example of the cultural harmony fabricated into the social life of Mysore since ancient times. Built in 1830 during the early colonial era in India, the Church holds the distinction of being the oldest Church of Mysuru, he said and added that the Church was built in memory of Saint Bartholomew, one of the twelve Apostles of Jesus Christ.

History of the Church

After the Tipu Sultan-era ended, the erstwhile Mysore State was a witness to a large number of Europeans migrating and settling down in the city. As the city experienced the growth of Christian population, it also faced the demand to fulfil the religious need of these people. The then King of Mysore, Krishnaraja Wadiyar III, offered the land to build a Church for the Christian community living in his kingdom.

The Church was consecrated in 1830 and was constructed in 1832. In 1847, the church was affiliated to the Anglican denomination and handed over to the Madras Government in 1852.

Incidentally, when the Church was constructed it was located on what was then known as the 'outskirts' of Mysuru. Since then, Mysuru has outgrown the ramparts of the fort that surrounded the Palace, and today, the Church lies in the heart of the city.

As the Church started conducting services in an era when no English Medium School existed in either Mysuru or Bengaluru, the Church also served the purpose of schooling the children of European officers who served in Mysuru during that period. In 1874, the Church initiated Sunday School to impart good Christian education to the children, which continues till date.

Architecture of St. Bartholomew's Church

St. Bartholomew's Church is a single storey structure built in a simple but attractive style. Though much is not known about the architect of the Church, the beautiful structure is a glaring reflection of the wonderful workmanship of the architect.

Standing in a serene location, the Church can easily pass off as a large bungalow. But once inside, the Church draws attention with its lovely stained glass windows and tall pillars. The large glass windows of the Church and the high dome at the end portion of the church echoes the wonderful architectural style followed in that bygone era.

A significant monument for visiting dignitaries

St. Bartholomew's Church has always attracted visiting dignitaries of Mysuru. Way back in 1834, the then Governor General of India, Lord William Bentinck visited this Church. In the early part of 1906, King George V paid a visit to Mysore and had offered prayers in this historic church. The Prince of Wales, Edward VIII visited the Church in the year 1921 when he came to Mysuru. In 1930, the then King of Mysuru Krishnaraja Wadiyar IV donated a beautiful stained glass to the Church which was unveiled by Lady Wellington.

The Church Bell

One of the most interesting things about St. Bartholomew's Church is that the Church Bell (still in service). It was at the French Army Base Church at French Rocks Erode village (now Pandavapura), some 25km from Mysuru. This Church Bell was cast in France during the middle of 17th century and was at the service of the French Army Base Church till the Church was dismantled to make way for the Visvesvaraya Canal. After the Church was taken apart, its functional bell was gifted to St. Bartholomew's Church which is now installed in the Bell Tower and the bell rings during service every Sunday.

Church has 129-year-old Pipe Organ

One more interesting fact is that the city's oldest Church has the fully functional 129-year-old Pipe Organ which was custom built in the year 1888 by William Hill and Sons in London.

The Pipe Organ which was custom-built in 1888 at London, for a small English parish at St. Barnabas, Sutton in UK, made its way to the CSI Holy Trinity Church in Bellary in the year 1912. In 1968, Bob Granner, an organist at Kodaikanal International School (KIS) in Tamil Nadu, got the instrument set up at The Margaret Eddy Memorial Chapel in Kodaikanal by an Organ technician from Chennai.

Later, the Church Council at KIS decided to procure a larger Twin Manual Organ. Sujay Anand, St. Bartholomew's Church Organist heard that the Pipe Organ was up for disposal and after speaking to the authorities at KIS, Anand got the Pipe Organ transported to St. Bartholomew's Church here.

Its mission still continues at St. Bartholomew's Church by creating wonderful reverberating music during worship services even after 127 years of its life, says Anand.

Anand said that most of us are now fortunate to see and hear from this rarest of the rare music instrument, as most people never get a chance to see and hear music from such rare instrument.

Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Gone Away: To Germany & Austria — 7

Foot-loose in Munich City

[Continued from Nov. 2]

My readers must be wondering if I am on a long, strenuous, rambling trip in Germany because of the start-up hiccups in writing the travelogue of sorts in one go. The last one I wrote was on Nov. 2. Hence I owe an explanation. The reasons are many, but mainly those in our country who are elevated by our lay readers to the high pedestal of celebrity intellectuals.

These people are too presumptuous and opinionated. Some like Prannoy Roy go about scouting for the world leaders, in their given field of activity, to extract opinions from their sacred lips that would jell with their own secular, leftist, minority pampering and pandering or outright anti-Modi stand. Right or wrong, get Modi and fix him.

So, I had written in this column to pick holes in these bloated balloons and burst them. This done, now I am back to Munich Oktober Beer Festival where I had left you.

The following day we decided on a city tour walking — City Squares, Churches, Museums, Down-Town Open Area Shops and Restaurants, Beer Halls, Beer Garden etc. At one Church, our German friend showed us a marked area *(see pic. 1)* saying that it was the foot-print of the devil and narrated an interesting, gullible story. While constructing the Church the patrons of the Church could not find enough money to complete it. Therefore, a deal was made with the devil who was ready to help on condition that the Church should be a celebration of darkness, there shall not be any light inside the Church when completed.

The patrons agreed. Well, many times we compromise our religious belief and principles and shake hands with the devil to achieve our goals! This was one. The architect was accordingly instructed to keep the Church dark. But on the inaugural day, the devil found a few windows bringing in shafts of light. It got so wild, it cursed the Church and left its foot-print while fleeing from light. Those who might be wondering how the foot of a devil is, see the picture I have brought from this Munich Church!

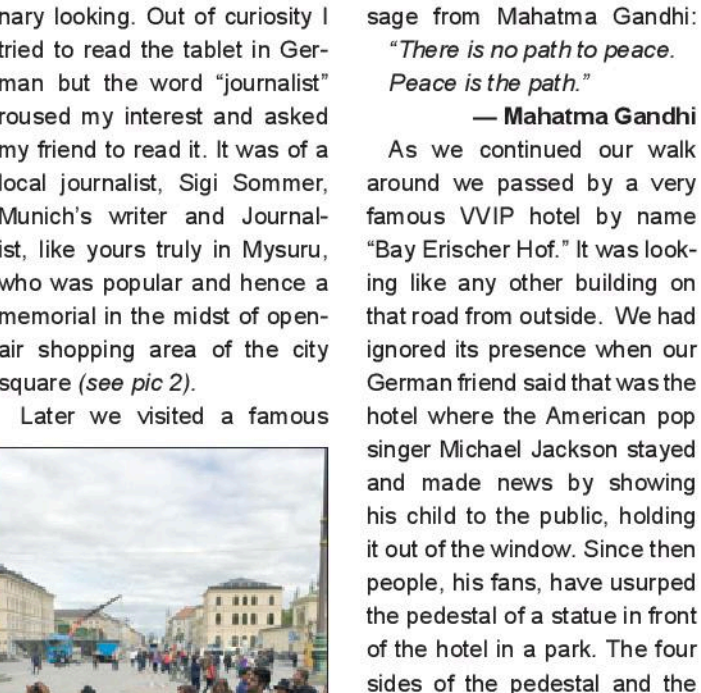
The Devil's foot ! Picture right shows statue of Sigi Sommer: Munich's local journalist.

The Marien Platz is a commonly visited tourist place. Unlike in India one never gets fatigued no matter how much one walks. But one will, of course, get hungry. So we decided to go to a good and popular restaurant called 'Ratskeller Munchen.' As we were entering, we heard a long shrill voice we are all familiar with — the *Adhan*, the Islamic call to worship by a muezzin. We were surprised and I asked my German friend if there was a mosque nearby. He held his steps back, looked at me and smiled. "No. It is a fake call of imitation."

"But why?" I asked. "Don't you know election is scheduled for next week? The opposition party may be asking the German voters if they want this kind of call five times a day by voting the incumbent Chancellor Angela Merkel." A very clever, subtle way of anti-immigration propaganda I thought. At that time thousands of Syrian Muslim immigrants were flooding Germany and the German Chancellor Angela Merkel was receiving them with sympathy providing refuge.

During lunch, my German friend who stays about 25 kms from Munich in a village said that the Government had provided shelter to 50 Syrian immigrants in his village with container shelters. The villagers, numbering about 1,500, were levied special tax to help these immigrants.

Adolf Hitler was an Austrian, hailing from its capital Vienna, four-and-a-half-hour journey from Munich. His political career began from Munich where in the 1930s he was giving public speeches from the Bavarian monument in Munich with two lions guarding its entrance. We saw the monument and climbed a few steps to vicariously feel the thrill of Hitler's mesmerising presence and speech.



Adoration of Michael Jackson with his photos of childhood and adulthood. Tourists leave flowers here daily.

As we strolled around the open spaces, clean, neat and dust-free with the area completely paved, I saw the bronze statue of a man in jerkin, ordinary looking. Out of curiosity I tried to read the tablet in German but the word "journalist" roused my interest and asked my friend to read it. It was of a local journalist, Sigi Sommer, Munich's writer and Journalist, like yours truly in Mysuru, who was popular and hence a memorial in the midst of open-air shopping area of the city square *(see pic 2)*.

Later we visited a famous mall where to our utter surprise noticed a shining, well-worn brass plate well-embedded on the floor at the foot of the ground floor escalator with a message from Mahatma Gandhi:

"There is no path to peace.
Peace is the path."

— Mahatma Gandhi

As we continued our walk around we passed by a very famous VVIP hotel by name "Bay Erischer Hof." It was looking like any other building on that road from outside. We had ignored its presence when our German friend said that was the hotel where the American pop singer Michael Jackson stayed and made news by showing his child to the public, holding it out of the window. Since then people, his fans, have usurped the pedestal of a statue in front of the hotel in a park. The four sides of the pedestal and the ground around are pasted with Michael Jackson's photos and flowers. Adulation in its natural form, I thought. A little away at the end of the park was another statue which was attracting attention for a different reason.

Bavarian monument from where Hitler made speeches. Picture right shows the vast-long road and open space in front of the Bavarian monument where people gathered to hear Hitler.

[To be continued]

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Thousands take part in Koti Parayana Mahotsava

Sri Swayamprakasha Sachidananda Saraswathi Mahaswamiji at the Koti Parayana Mahotsava in city this morning. Picture right shows women dressed in yellow saree taking part in the Mahotsava.

Mysuru, Nov.12(RKB&DM)- The chanting of '*Sri Lakshminarasimha Sahsranama*' rented the air as thousands of women, dressed in yellow saree and red blouse took part in the *Sri Lakshminarasimha Sahasranama Koti Parayana Mahotsava* organised under the aegis of Sree Adishankaracharya Sharada Lakshmi Narasimha Peetam, Harisharapura at Maharaja College Grounds in the city this morning.

The event began with Srimajjagadguru Shankaracharya Sri Swayamprakasha Sachidananda Saraswathi Mahaswamiji arriving at the venue at about 9.45 am to a '*pornakumbha swagatha*'.

The Mahaswamiji made divine *sankalpa* that devotees obtain the blessings of the Lord by chanting '*Sri Lakshminarasimha Sahasranama*', as an offering to the lord, while doing *Koti Tulasi Archane* to the Lord. Prior to the *Sahasranama*, city's Vittala Seva Trust's Guru Subbaraya Dasaru and troupe rendered *bhajans*.

Kum. Lavanya of Chennai rendered the invocation. Former Minister S.A. Ramdas, District Brahmin Association President D.T. Prakash, BJP leaders H.V. Rajeev and Yashaswi Somashekar, Hariharapura Sreemath Administrative Officer B.S. Ravishankar and others were present.

B.S. Ravishankar said that the reconstruction work of Sri Sharada Lakshminarasimha Temple at Hariharapura, Koppa taluk, Chikkamagaluru district, which began in 2009 is now nearing completion.

He further said that more than 50,000 women took part in a similar *Parayana Mahotsava* held at National College Grounds, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru on Oct. 28 in which Union Minister Ananthkumar took part.

City private hospital doctors head for Belagavi

(Continued from page 1)

IMA Member Dr. H.R. Sanjay said that they were forced to take the protest route as there is no official communication from the government that they will review the Bill. On Monday morning, around 9am, about 25,000 doctors will assemble in front of Suvarna Vidhana Soudha in Belagavi.

"There are four major parts of the Bill we want the CM to have a look at. First, there should be no grievance redressal committee at the district level. Second, the patient's charter should be mere guidelines and not a law. Third, we cannot have the government fix charges for various procedures and treatments. Fourth, we do not want doctors to be treated like criminals and jailed without any motive," he added.

Dr. B.H. Manjunath of Brindavan Hospital, who is also the City BJP President, told *SOM* that the protest in Belagavi was to draw the government's attention and not to inconvenience patients. "Patient services will go on as usual, but outpatient services may get affected. We are also planning to launch a relay hunger strike in Belagavi from tomorrow and the relay hunger strike will go on till our demands are met," he said.

NO LEAVE FOR GOVT. DOCTORS: In the wake of private hospital doctors moving away from the city to Belagavi, the District Health Officer (DHO) has directed all government doctors not to take leave from tomorrow.

DHO Dr. B. Basavaraju has issued a directive to all government-run hospitals including the K.R. Hospital, Cheluvamba, PKTB Sanatorium, Epidemic Diseases Hospital, all community Health Centres and Primary Health Centres in the district to brace up for emergencies.

Swachhata Abhiyan Ambassadors

(Continued from page 1)

Jagadeesha said that the 'Cleanest City' honour was lost by city last time owing to poor participation by residents. He appealed the Ambassadors to motivate the people in the campaign and strive to get back the Numero Uno position for the city.

Pramoda Devi Wadiyar suggested MCC officials to resume cleaning of the external periphery of the Palace with water to contain dust as being done earlier. She felt that all drainages in city should be cleared for free flow of water and added that the feed back from the public should be immediately taken into cognisance by MCC.

Srinath suggested that kids in schools should be made aware of cleanliness so that they would incorporate the ideas in their homes. He felt that waste segregation at source should be given top priority with offenders brought to book through legal action.

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83rd All India Kannada Sahitya Sammelana

Convenors and Members appointed for various Committees

Mysuru, Nov. 12 (VNS)- The District Administration and Kannada Sahitya Parishat have appointed Convenors and Members to various Committees for the upcoming 83rd All India Kannada Sahitya Sammelana-2017 to be held in Mysuru from Nov. 24 to 26.

PROCESSION COMMITTEE

Convenors: K.S. Nagaraju, Thayoor Vittalamurthy, Praveen Kumar and Shivakumar; **Members:** Mahesh Bhadravathi, G.S. Jayakumar, Basavaraju, C. Ravindra Ragow, Prajwal, Vijendra Bookanakere, Mahesh, Sandesh, Manjunath, Krishnaswamy, Dairy Venkatesh, Puttegowda, Sagar, Karthik Gowda, Prashanth Kalpavruksha, Shashank Chikkegowda, Nandeesh Urs, Parthasarathy, C.T. Acharya, Lingaraju Suttur, Abhishek Shivanna, Broadway Kiran, Sureshbabu, Ambari Paramesh, Siddalingappa, Vinaykumar, Ramegowda M. Koppal, C. Nagaraju, Prasanna Kumar, K.T. Venkatesh, L. Rajanna and Govindegowda.

STAGE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Convenors: M. Chandrashekar, Modamani, Prashanth Gowda and Goralli Jagadeesh; **Members:** Asha Shankaregowda, S. Lakshmidevi, Yashoda Narayan, P. Padma, Anusha Rao, H.G. Vishwanath, Zakir Hussain, Dr. Vijayalakshmi Manapura, Paneena Begum, Madan Kumar, Shivannegowda, Suresh Gowda, Prasanna Hegde, D. Puttaswamy, Nanjundaswamy, Prasanna, K.N. Annegowda, Satyanarayana, H.V. Muralidhar, Loknath, Seshachala, Vachanakumaraswamy and Pradeep Kumar.

CULTURAL COMMITTEE

Convenors: K.V. Mallesh, B.A. Shivashankar, A.S. Nagaraju, Dr. H.P. Mohankumar Shastry; **Members:** Dr. Purushotham, Dr. P. Chandrashekar, Prof. Srine Nayak, Prof. M. Ganesh, Suresh Babu, Dr. Sowbhagyavathi, Kokila, Akkamahadevi, D.D. Ramakrishna, Nayana, C.D. Parashuram, Venkataramana, Basavaraju Burakere, Ankanahalli Prabhakar, Venkatesh Dattagalli, M.K. Ashoka, My.Ma. Nagaraju, Sainath, Mahesh Sosale, Gurumurthy, Pradeep Kumar, M.B. Suresh, Shankar, Dr. K.N. Basavaraju, S. Nagarathna, M.K. Siddegowda, K.T. Nagegowda and Venkatesh.

FOOD COMMITTEE

Convenors: K.S. Shivaramu, Hotelier C. Narayanagowda and S. Shivamurthy Kanya; **Members:** Yoganarasimhegowda, Padma Nagaraju, B.M. Chithra Subbaiah, N. Basavanna, Govindegowda, Shivaraju, Nanjunda Shetty, Mahadevaiah, Dr. Leela Prakash, Hanchya Sannaswamy, Nandakumar, Puttegowda, Narasegowda, K. Chandra, Prof. Mahadevaiah, Shivappa, Bannur Ramaswamy, Bellikatte Pradeep, Shivanna, Krishnappa Gowda and A.M.C. Dakshayini Umesh.

DECORATION COMMITTEE

Convenors: M.V. Ramprasad, B.M. Ramachandra and B.V. Manjunath; **Members:** Srikantesh, M.P. Mahadeva Shetty, Aravind Sharma, B.V. Gadhadhara, Yogesh Yadav, Basavanna, Thyagaraju, Jagadeesh, Mohan, Nataraj, Sampath, M.S. Muralidhar Shastry, Radhakrishna, S. Diwakar, B. Basavaraju, Tejukumar, Tejas Lokesh Gowda, Chandrakanth, Advocate Krishnappa and Naganna Doddahundi.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Convenors: N.M. Shivaprakash and Dr. M.P. Varsha; **Members:** Mahadeva, Bhaskar, B.L. Mahadev, Narayana Rao, Puttaswamy Railway, Krishna, P.C. Nagaraju, M. Jayaprakash, Uma, Sougandhika Jois, Kaggundi Raju, Ramakrishna, Seshachala, Boregowda, Amblare Basavegowda, Manonmani, Arjun and Ravi.

CLEANLINESS COMMITTEE

Convenors: M. Sunil and S. Balu; **Members:** Banu Mohan, Madhumathi, Sunil Kumar, Jagadish Jainahalli, Revanna, R. Bharath, G. Suresh, Babu Lingaswamy, Eregowda, Ramakrishna, Parashivamurthy, Jagadish, Hemanth Kurubarahalli, Prasanna Janasangrama, Syed Rizwan, Narayana Gowda, K.R. Mahesh, A.S. Chandrashekar and K.M. Mallegowda.

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE

Convenor: Manjula Manasa; **Members:** Latha Mohan, Kausalya, Sarawathi Shetty, Rajalakshmi, Jayalakshmi Marichamaiah, Hemalatha, Nirmala Jayamaruti, Uma, Susheela Nanjappa, B.S. Vanaja, H.L. Yamuna, Geeta Ganesh, Shakuntala, Sugandhamma, L. Shobha Anand, Madhurani, Gayathri Narayanagowda.

HEALTH COMMITTEE

Convenor: Dr. Suttur Malini; **Members:** Yelwal Govind, Advocate Naveen, Bank Guruprasad, Prithvi, Bilikere Nagaraju, Dyavappa Nayak, Dr. Prakash Baburao, D.N. Nagaraj, Manjappa, Kemparaju, Nagendra Nayak, Akshay Kumar, Muthuraj, Madan Gopal, Lokesh Aradhya.

VOLUNTEERS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Convenors: Prof. H.R. Thimmegowda, Dr. Chandrashekar, Prof. Kalachennegowda, B.L. Bhyrappa and T.S. Harish; **Members:** Mohankumar, Govindegowda, O.B. Mruthyunjaya, Chandregowda, Mahadevrao, Santosh, Sanjeevkumar, Srinath, Kumaraswamy, Balakrishna, Ravikumar, Manjunath Bettadapura, Paramashivaiah, H.N. Prakash, Chikkaswamy, Sanjeev Kumar.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Members: Parashuram, Prasanna Kumar, Niranjanamurthy, Vaidyanathan, Prathidwani Prasad, Eshwar Chakkadi, Snake Shyam, Siddegowda, Chaitra Gowda, H. Kavya, Beerappa, S.B.M. Manju, Jayaprakash, Krishnegowda, M.B. Ramesh, Dr. Pushpa Iyengar, Bherya Ramkumar, Pragathi Gopalkrishna, G.S. Halli Prakash, Naveen Kumar, R. Suresh, Nagaraju Dandikere, Gangothri Mahesh.

LODGING AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Convenors: Maddikere Gopal, Moogur Nanjundaswamy and S. Prakash Babu;**Members:** Jayaraj Hegde, Ravindra, Kannegowda, Bekya Ravikumar, Aravind, Dr. Madesh, Pradeep Kumar, B.S. Prashanth, Prakash, Girish, M.N. Shashiraj, Manjunath, Shankregowda, T.L. Lokesh, Dilip Narasaiah, Vijendra, Vijaykumar, Dr. Chandregowda, Ravikumar, Kashyap Kurubarahalli Jayakumar.

ART EXHIBITION

Convenors: L. Shivalingappa, N.B. Kaverappa, Mahadeva Shetty and S.M. Jambukeshwara; **Members:** L.S.N. Achar, Jamuna Rani Mirle, Ramakrishnappa, K.N. Shankarappa, Akshatha and G. Suresh.

COMMERCIAL STALLS COMMITTEE

Convenors: Palahalli Ramakrishna, My.Na. Gopalakrishna and M.B. Vishwanath; **Members:** M.B. Doddegowda, Bogadi Siddegowda, Ravishankar, Ramakrishna, Boganandish, Satyappa, Meghana and Anusha.

BOOK STALLS COMMITTEE

Convenors: A.G. Devaraju and Samskruthi Subramanya; **Members:** Srinivas, D.N. Lokappa, T.S. Chayapathi, Omkarappa, Abhiruchi Ganesh, Bettegowda, Mahesh and Janardhan.

Interaction with world's youngest Head Master on Nov. 14

Mysuru, Nov. 12 (NNN)- Learners PU College, Mysuru, has organised an interaction with Babar Ali, who has the distinction of being the youngest Head Master in the world, on Nov. 14 at Kalamandira here at 5 pm as part of Children's Day.

Babar Ali

Ali's biography has been included in the PU English text book in Karnataka and also in the CBSE 10th standard text book. Ali, whose name is known even to the Queen of England, became the Head Master of a school in West Bengal at the age of 16. He started teaching when he was just nine years.

Ali started Ananda Shiksha Niketan School for underprivileged children while he himself was a school student.

Students of High Schools, PU Colleges, Principals, Head Masters, teachers and parents can participate in the interaction, which is co-sponsored by All India Corporate Council for Skill Development, Hari Vidyalaya, Sharada Public School, Supreme Public School, People Tree and Rotary Club of Mysore West.

For free registration, send an SMS with student name and class to: 99169-33202 or 99163-97939 or e-mail: *learnerspuc@gmail.com*, according to a press release from Learners PU College.

District-level 'Bala Sambhrama' in city on Nov. 19

Mysuru, Nov. 12 (US&SP)- Marking Children's Day and Kannada Rajyotsava, a district-level 'Bala Sambhrama' contest has been organised by Virvidha Dance and Martial Arts Academy at its premises in Saraswathipuram here on Nov. 19.

Disclosing this at a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan here on Thursday, Academy Chairman and Corporator Snake Shyam said that the contest for children in the age group of 3 to 8 years include Cute Baby, Healthy Baby and Fancy Baby contest. For children in the age group of 6 to 8 years included are Prince of Mysore, Princess of Mysore and Super Talent contest.

Academy Director Vinod Karkera said that the contest would be held from 9.30 am to 5.30 pm and winners would get attractive cash prizes, gift vouchers, certificates and CDs on snakes.

On the occasion, Shyam will give a power point presentation on snakes followed by entertainment programme by Junior Dancing Star Prajwal and Drama Juniors fame Mahendra Prasad.

CSIR-CFTRI to conduct Entrepreneurship Training programme from Nov.20

Mysuru, Nov. 12- A training programme on 'Entrepreneurial opportunities in food and allied sectors' has been organised by CSIR (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research) - CFTRI (Central Food Technological Research Institute) in association with Kautilya Entrepreneurship & Management Institute (KEMI), Jain University, Bengaluru from Nov. 20 to Dec. 2 at CSIR-CFTRI premises in city.

The second version of this joint venture aims to encourage and promote start-ups in the food-processing sector. The programme has been designed to address both the technology and the entrepreneurship aspect related to food-processing sector. The first week of the programme will be held in the CFTRI campus at Mysuru and the second week has been scheduled at the Jain University Campus, Bengaluru.

The programme will focus on emerging trends in the market such as Ready-to-Eat foods, Natural beverages, Superfoods, Healthy Snacks, Minimally processed vegetables, FSSAI (Food Safety and Standards Authority of India) regulations, new product development and so on.

Jitendra Jadhav, Director, CSIR-CFTRI, expressed that the new initiative is in line with the Start-up India and Skill India missions of Government of India, and caters to the needs of various stakeholders such as entrepreneurs, MSMEs (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises), exporters and food parks. This unique collaboration of the technology leader with management experts will be able to strengthen the entrepreneurial ecosystem in the sunrise sector of the country. This programme is open for aspiring and early stage entrepreneurs, focusing on the unfolding potential opportunities in the country's food sector. For more details visit *www.cftri.com*

Mayor's Gold Cup Kabaddi Tourney

Hi-Tech Chennai shocks SBI, enters semi-finals

Players of Hi-Tech, Chennai (facing camera) and SBI, Bengaluru, in action during the men's quarter-final tie in the Mayor's Gold Cup Kabaddi Tournament at Chamundi Vihar Stadium yesterday.

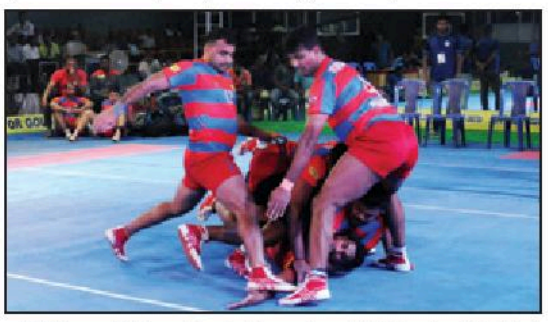
Mysuru, Nov.12- Inspiring play by raiders Rakesh 915 points) and Vinod (14 points), enabled Hi-Tech Chennai to register a upset 39-35 win over SBI, Bengaluru, in the men's quarter-final tie in the Mayor's Gold Cup Kabaddi Tournament-2017, organised by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), Mysuru, jointly with Karnataka State Kabaddi Association and Mysuru Zilla Kabaddi Association under flood-lights at the Chamundi Vihar Indoor Stadium here yesterday.

The semi-finals and final will be held at Chamundi Vihar Stadium from 4 pm today.

THE RESULTS

Men — Quarter-finals: Hi-Tech Chennai: 39 (Rakesh 15, Vinod 14) bt **SBI, Bengaluru:** 35 (Shabbir Babu 14, Suresh 12) (ht 12-23); **Thanjavur, TN:** 43 (Yogesh 14, Selvam 12) bt **SDM, Ujire:** 28 (Varun 8, Pavan 7); **Vijaya Bank, Bengaluru:** 43 (Prasanth Rai 12, Sachin 11) bt **Mandya District:** 17 (Niranjan 8); **Central Excise & Customs:** 46 (Manjunath 14, Ravindra 10) bt **Chickmaglur:** 14 (Abi 8) (ht 26-10).

Women — Quarter-finals: Maharashtra Police: 27 (Swetha 11, Bhargavi 8) bt **South Central Railway:** 24 (R. Yogalakshmi 8, Pavithra 7); **BCR-KA, Dharwad:** 27 (Akshatha 12) bt **Central Railway, Mumbai:** 20 (Madhavi 10, Reshma 8); **Shanmugam Trust, Coimbatore:** 31 bt **Matha, Bengaluru:** 31-26 (ht 12-10); **Palam, Delhi:** 62 (Deeksha 14, Natasha 12) bt **Mysuru District:** 11 (Mansi 4) (ht 25-6).



PLAYERS IN ACTION: *Maharashtra Police Vs South Central Railway; Vijaya Bank, Bengaluru Vs Mandya District.*

Col. C.K. Nayudu Trophy 2017-18

Karnataka gain crucial first Innings lead

Mysuru, Nov.12 (SV)- In the ongoing test match between Karnataka and Baroda in the U-23 Col. C.K. Nayudu Trophy 2017-18 held at Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar Grounds, Mysuru, Karnataka today managed to gain a crucial first innings lead of 112 runs.

Wrapping up Baroda for a total of 85 runs, Karnataka put up a score of 197 runs in their first innings on a pitch that seemed to assist the bowlers.

After skipper Abhishek Reddy fell early, D. Nischal (46 runs) and Abhinav Manohar (39 runs) steadied the innings for Karnataka with a partnership of 77 runs. After their dismissals, wickets kept tumbling at regular intervals.

Carrying on from their overnight score of 129 for 5 in 48 overs, Karnataka extended their lead to 112 runs on the second day.

A brilliant spell of bowling from G.S. Maan, kept Karnataka under check as they managed a total of 197 runs in 62.2 overs. G.S. Maan returned with the figures of 4-48 in his 19 overs. B.R. Sharath played a cameo with an attacking knock of 41 runs from just 36 balls which included 6 fours and one maximum.

Baroda started their second innings on a positive note. While M.T. Shaikh played a stroke filled knock of 45 runs, skipper Prabhav Thaker had walked into the pitch with a mindset to defend almost every ball. Prabhav Thaker eventually was adjudged LBW off the bowling of spinner K.N. Bharath.

Thaker scored just 2 runs after facing about 40 deliveries. Shaikh decided to counter the spin by walking down the pitch as he smashed Shubhang Hegde for a six and a couple of boundaries in a single over. But he could not last long on the pitch, as he edged Bharath's delivery directly into the hands of Abhishek Reddy who was positioned at first slip. At Lunch, Baroda was 58 for 2 in 16.4 overs on the second day.

City girls for National-level Gymnastics

Mysuru, Nov.12 (SV)- **H.J. Sanjana and D.K. Harshitha** of Government Girls High School, People's Park, Mysuru, won second and fourth place respectively in the State-level Gymnastics Competitions held at Dharwad recently.

They will now represent Karnataka State in the National-level Gymnastics to be held from Nov.14 to Nov.16 at Kolkata.

The event is organised by the School Games Federation of India.

THIS Week

Talented Chess Player: A.N. Shefali

Chess is a traditional sport and has been patronised in our country for a long time. Mysuru and Mandya districts have been producing talented players from time to time who have gone on to represent the country on various occasions. One such extraordinary talent is upcoming chess player in the U-9 girls section **A.N. Shefali,** who has made all of us proud by finishing second in the 31st National U-9 Girls Chess Championships-2017 held at Gurgaon from Nov. 6 to 12. She is our 'Star This Week.'

Shefali of Karnataka, tied with Anupam Sreekumar (Kerala) and Rajanya Datta (WB), with 9 points from 11 rounds and finished a creditable second in the Championship held at Gurgaon, on the basis of her better tie-break score of 61 to Rajanya Datta's 57.50.

Anupam Sreekumar of Kerala clinched the title with 9 points from nine rounds.

Rajanya Datta finished third while Aashi Upadhay (Raj-7.5) finished fourth. Karnataka's K.G.R. Anagha from Kalale, Nanjangud taluk, secured sixth place with 8 points.

A.N. Shefali

Earlier, Shefali, a fourth standard student of Santhome Public School, representing India in the Commonwealth Chess Championship-2017 held at Delhi, won gold in the girls U-8 section. She had also won gold in the 2016 edition held at Sri Lanka.

The National U-7 Girls Chess Champion, Shefali also won the silver medal in the U-7 Girls section in the Asian Schools Chess Championship held at Singapore in 2015.

Coached by Jayaram of Chess Shoots Academy, Bengaluru, this young girl began playing chess at the age of three watching her brother play the sport. Encouraged by her parents, Narendra and Nirmala, this chess prodigy from Mandya has done everyone proud with her feats in the International level. She intends to work hard in the days to come and improve her rating in the International level to become a Grand Master.

SPORTS EVENTS

CRICKET

Col. C.K. Nayudu U-23 Cricket Tournament-2017

11.11.17 to 14.11.17 — Karnataka Vs Baroda at SDNR Wadiyar Grounds, Mysuru.

KSCA Mysore Zonal Cricket League 2017

18.11.17 — at SJCE, SDNR Wadiyar Grounds, PET Mandya, NIEIT & Vidya Vikas Grounds.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. What does the term PSA stand for?
2. In which sport is the term 'Clay Pigeon' associated with?
3. The 'Rovers Cup' is associated with which sport?
4. Who is the present coach of the Indian Men's Basketball team?
5. Who is Karnataka's U-18 Girls Table Tennis player who won the Junior U-18 National title?

1. Professional Squash Association 2. Shooting 3. Football
4. Serbian Zoran Visic 5. Archana Kamath

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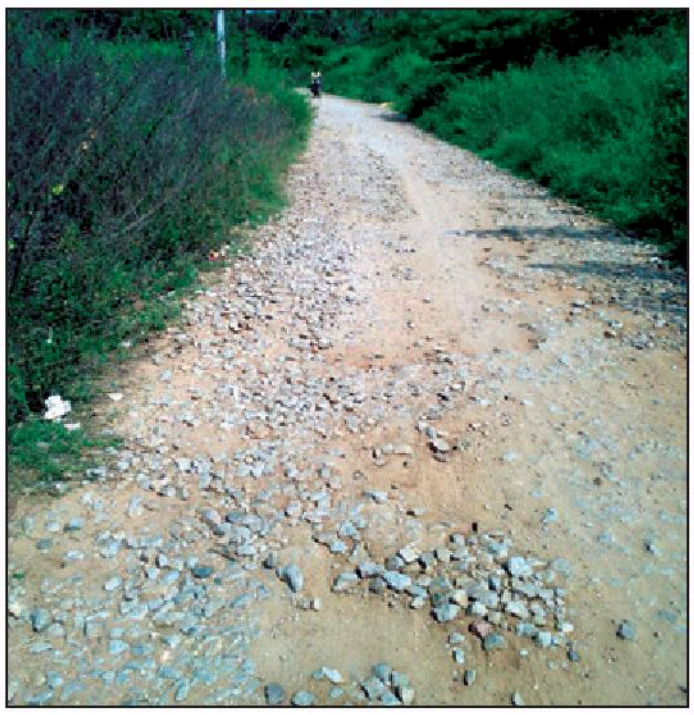
Poor state of road in Alanahalli



The stretch of road from Nandini Layout in Alanahalli and Lalithadripura Road is in a very bad state and neglected. It's difficult for people to commute from Alanahalli to Lalithadripura, JSS Ayurveda College and Chamundi Hill as it causes back pain and also damages the vehicle, says SOM reader Dr. Dhruvaprasad and urges the authorities concerned to do the needful at the earliest.

Water-logging in the backyard of KSRTC depot

The backyard of KSRTC depot near JnNURM Apartment in Haleem Nagar has become a perfect breeding place for mosquitoes with uncleared stagnant water. Also the foul smell is nauseating causing trouble for the residents. Will the authorities concerned take timely action?

Vacant site in Vidyaranyapuram crying for attention

A lot of unwanted weeds and bushes grown in the vacant site next to the house of one Venkatesh, No. 905, 4th Main, 28th Cross, Vidyaranyapuram, is an eyesore. Also, snakes have been spotted in the vicinity which has panicked people around. The MCC has been urged to take action against such site owners who do not regularly take up cleaning works or deploy MCC workers to clean such unclaimed sites.

City gears up to regain Swachhata top spot

DC directs MCC to set up Residents Welfare Associations, Eco Clubs

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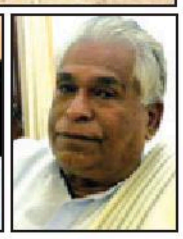
Randeep



Madegowda

Mysuru, Nov.12 (SBD&NNN)- The District Administration is going all out to see that the city regains its top spot in the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, as the Cleanest City in the country. Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep has directed officials of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to take necessary steps by this month by setting up Residents Welfare Associations and Eco Clubs to participate in cleanliness campaigns.

He was in a discussion about the issue with MCC Ward Parliament Committee President and former MLC D. Madegowda, Vice-President Nagapathy, Clean Mysore's Venkatesh and Madhukesh at the Government Guest House, here on Nov.10, amidst a review meeting of development works.

The DC directed officials to complete all the preparations for the Swachh survey. Last time, the city was relegated to the fifth spot as it had not concentrated on the public reaction, use of *Swachhata App* and reaching the target of construction of toilets. Hence, already 424 toilets have been constructed and another 83 are left. Efforts are on to activate Solid Waste Management units in nine zones of Corporation. However, what is important is for people to participate in the Swachh survey, stressed Randeep.

Stressing on the importance of zero Solid Waste Management in Kumbarakoppal, Madegowda gave several other useful suggestions. Along with the five-member Swachhata Ambassadors, there should be NGOs in the nine zonal limits as ambassadors.

He said that a list of 16 organisations including Journalists Association, Advocates Assn., Traders Assn., Senior Citizens Forum, Theatre Owners Assn., had been prepared and discussions should be held with all these associations, seeking support by giving them responsibilities.

In every ward, Residents Welfare Association should be set up and Corporators must be appointed as Honorary Presidents. Eco Clubs near schools and colleges involving students should be initiated. These activities should be done on a war footing and completed by this month end, he said.

Then assistance must be taken from members of these clubs to distribute cleanliness awareness pamphlets to houses. Mobile phone numbers of citizens must be collected at the earliest for the survey. Importance must be given to see that solid waste management centres at all the nine zones are activated and the garbage collected in each zone is cleared there itself.

Hence, everyone in the city should strive hard to see that Mysuru regains its top spot by participating in the Swachhata Movement, said Madegowda.

MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha announced that *'Mysooru Mithra'* and *'Andolana,'* newspapers will be the ambassadors for disseminating information about the cleanliness campaign.

Swachhata Ambassadors meet: Ramakrishna Ashrama's Atmajnanandaji, member of Mysore royal family Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, Scion Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, former International cricketer Javagal Srinath and yoga exponent Kushi have been appointed as Swachhata Ambassadors.

Winners of Dejamma Memorial Inter-School Kabaddi Tournament

The boys Kabaddi team of GSSS High School, Siddarthanagar, Mysuru, bagged 1st place in Inter-School Kabaddi Tournament held at Dejamma Mahaveer School, Brindavan Extension, recently. Seen in the picture are (standing from left) **Nithin, Adithya, Mahadeva Prasad, Hemanth, Ayush, Chandan, Tejas Patel, S. Danush,** (sitting from left) **Madhuchandra, Physical Instructor, A.V. Sudha, Principal, B.K. Nataraj, Member and Coordinator, GSSS, Vanaja B. Pandit, Hon. Secretary, GSSS, Sumana Priyavratha, Head Mistress and Krishnegowda, Physical Instructor;** (kneeling from left) **Abhishek, Jagadeeshwara, Raj Kishore and Praveen.**

Phew! City cops to get leave for birthdays, wedding anniversaries

Dr. A.S. Rao

Mysuru, Nov. 12 (RK&BCT)- Here is some good news for Policemen who constantly complain that they do not get a chance to spend time with their families and loved ones due to professional commitments.

The City Police Commissioner has issued a directive to all Station Heads that any Constable, who approaches with a leave application, citing his or her child's birthday as the reason, cannot be denied leave.

The order, probably first-of-its kind in the Police Department, was issued by city's top cop Dr. A Subrahmanyeswara Rao, in his efforts to make the Department Constable-friendly and at the same time permit the Constabulary to spend some quality time with their families.

As per the order, PSI and below the rank officers attached to all Law and Order and Traffic Police Stations, City Crime Branch (CCB), City Special Branch (CSB), City Crime Records Bureau (CCRB), City Control Room, Mandakalli Airport Security and Fingerprint Unit can avail the benefit and spend quality time with family during their ward's birthdays.

According to a circular issued by the Commissioner, no Station Head can cite staff crunch or tough law and order situation to deny the Constable's precious family time. He said that the initiative is aimed at distressing the lower-rung Constables and officers.

Duty-bound Policemen undergo a lot of physical as well as psychological stress as they have to be alert to enforce law and to maintain order.

Apart from this, they have to play a major role in crime detection, traffic maintenance and ensure smooth VVIP movements, protect public property, take up day-and-night patrolling and execute various people-friendly programmes.

Subrahmanyeswara Rao said that by nature, a Policeman's routine is stressful. "They miss out on important celebrations in the family and this adds to their stress. There are instances where Policemen who couldn't attend important family functions turning up in low spirits for duty. Considering the issue seriously, I decided to allow Policemen to go on leave on their children's birthday, which is very important for family bonding," he said.

The Commissioner said that in case of a birthday function during special or emergency situations, the Policeman concerned must take permission from the higher officer or Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP) for making alternative arrangements.

The Commissioner has also plans to issue another directive by which a day's leave will be granted to Constables on their wedding anniversaries. He said granting two days of leave (only for two children) in a year from their casual leave (CL) would not be difficult, no matter how essential the work is. Such special leave requests would be granted verifying the details from the service record of each Constable available at the Station.

Station Police Inspectors have already collected details of birthdays and marriage anniversaries of their staff, and have sent a comprehensive list to the Police Commissioner.

Hundreds run for Health and Wellness

An initiative of Lions Club of Mysore West

Mysuru, Nov.12 (US&RKB)- Lions Club of Mysore West, as part of its Wellness and Health mega charity event, had organised a 5 km run and a Yoga marathon at Lions School premises in Gokulam 3rd stage here this morning.

About 300 people participated in the run which was flagged off by MLA Vasu. The participants ran from Lions School in Gokulam to Panchavati junction on Kalidasa Road and back.

Following that, a 'Ride and Seek' Treasure Hunt on bicycles was flagged off by City Police Commissioner Dr. A.S. Rao at the school premises. Totally, ten teams of two members each participated in the event. The distance covered was 20 km and the route was kept a secret which could be deciphered by the participants based on clues and codes given to them periodically.

The proceeds of the charity event is said to be used by the Club for Kidney Endowment Fund to provide dialysis for poor renal failure patients. Club President Jacob Thomas Paul, Treasurer Dharmendra, Corporator Prasad and others were present.

Mandya politics hots up after actor Ramya's entry

Ambarish Madegowda Ramya

Mandya, Nov.12(NG)- Even as speculations are doing the rounds on actress Ramya contesting the Assembly polls from Mandya, former Minister and Mandya MLA Ambarish met veteran Congress leader G. Madegowda at his (Ambarish) close aide and Congress party worker Amarvathi Chandrashekar's residence on the outskirts of Mandya city on Friday evening.

Ambarish after attending the inaugural ceremony of Panchamukhi Temple at Hosabudarur village in the taluk on Friday, visited the constituency after he learnt that the Congress would field actor-turned politician Ramya in the 2018 Assembly polls from Mandya.

According to sources, the two discussed the entry of Ramya to Mandya politics, change of Mandya District Congress President and other local issues.

It is also said that Madegowda, during the course of the meeting, told Ambarish that people have lost hopes on him, as he was away from the constituency for a long time.

Ambarish sought his support in the forthcoming elections to which Madegowda is said to have assured to support the candidate fielded by the Congress.

G. Madegowda reacting to the meeting with Ambarish, said that he had not visited Ambarish when he was suffering from health issues and thus, he met him now. 'I asked him to concentrate more on the constituency', he said.

Meanwhile, former MP and actor Ramya, who has reportedly shown interest in returning to State politics is said to have been meeting the Congress party workers in Mandya.

Ramya is said to be taking active part in the Congress party's *Mane-Manege Congress* programme in the city. However, the Congress High Command is yet to finalise the name of its candidate from Mandya Assembly segment.

Amidst all these political developments within the Congress, Ramya who is currently heading the Congress social media wing at the National level in Delhi is said to be in regular touch with Congress workers from Mandya.

Ramya who had taken a house on rent in Mandya when she contested the bypolls from Mandya Loksabha in 2013, is now said to have purchased a bungalow located on K.R. Road in Vidyanagar at a cost of Rs. 5.5 crore.

The bungalow belonged to former MLA Sadat Ali Khan, who is close to former CM S.M. Krishna.

Ramya who is currently staying in Delhi, will perform *'Gruha Pravesha'* of the newly purchased bungalow in Mandya marking her birthday, it is said.

Even as speculations are doing the rounds in the city of Ramya purchasing the bungalow, District Congress leader Haluwadi Nagaraj, speaking to *SOM* said that Ramya's purchase of the bungalow was only rumours. The bungalow owner Sadat Ali Khan has 'gifted' the bungalow to Ramya and as such the question of purchasing it does not arise.

Maintaining that Ramya was busy handling the AICC's responsibility bestowed on her, Nagaraj said that Ramya returning to Mandya now was very much doubtful as Gujarat elections are due in December.

CM to inaugurate two-day Kannada Conference on Science & Technology

Siddharamaiah

Mysuru, Nov.12 (US&SP) - For the first time a Kannada Science and Technology conference has been organised jointly by Science and Technology Academy and JSS Arts, Science and Commerce College at the latter's premises here on Nov 24 and 25.

Disclosing this at a press meet at Patrakarthara Bhavan here yesterday, Academy Chairman Dr.S.K. Shivakumar said that the conference would be inaugurated by Chief Minister Siddharamaiah on Nov. 24 at 4.30 pm. He further said that about 600 delegates were expected to attend the conference which features paper presentation on relevant scientific topics like Food Technology, Nano Technology, Digital Technology, Space Technology and Medical Science by eminent personalities in the field.

Continuing, Dr. Shivakumar said that the conference would also feature interactions and a *'Kavi Gosthi'*.

Dr. Chidananda Gowda, former VC of Kuvempu University, Academy Member-Secretary Dr. Honnegowda, members Shakib-ur-Rehman, Dr.S.R. Sudarshan, B.V. Sambasadashivaiah senior Scientist Dr. A.M. Ramesh and others were present at the press meet.

Revenue Department recommends action against KAS officer

Mysuru, Nov.12(SPN&DM)- The Revenue Department has instructed the Mysuru Regional Commissioner to take disciplinary action against KAS officer Naveen Joseph for dereliction of duty.

Charging Naveen Joseph of violating the Land Reforms Act when he was earlier the Nanjangud Tahsildar, the Revenue Department Principal Secretary has directed the Regional Commissioner at Mysuru, to initiate disciplinary action against him.

Naveen Joseph while serving as Nanjangud Tahsildar, was accused of violating the Land Reforms Act in connection with disposal of land in Immavu village Survey No. 424 coming under Chikkayyanachatra Hobli in Nanjangud taluk.

The then DC, who looked into the matter, submitted a report to the Government in this regard and based on the findings of the report, the Revenue Department Under-Secretary K.R. Ravikumar wrote to the Regional Commissioner on Oct. 28 directing to take action against Naveen Joseph, it is learnt.

Brain Bytes 2017- Quiz Competition

Mysuru, Nov.12 (SV)- A Quiz Competition 'Brain Bytes-2017' was conducted at Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham for PU College students on Nov.8.

The chief guest, Rachan Appanamaiah, Principal, SVG's Vishwaprajna Composite Residential PU College, Mysuru, in his inaugural address, emphasized on the need for conducting SWOT analysis to understand the strengths of the quizzing team and work on the threat areas. He further encouraged them to develop good listening skills and constant and continuous reading habit.

Around 400 PU students from more than 30 colleges in and around Mysuru participated in the competition.

The objective was to identify young talents and motivate students to gain wide knowledge of the society they live in. It was an info-educative experience for the students to go through the five rounds — Written test, Online test, Puzzles & Riddle Buzzer round, Spin to Win-Audio Visual round and the Final rapid fire round.

The winners and all the finalists were awarded cash prizes and certificates.

Br. Sunil Dharmapal, Director, Amrita School of Education and Br. Venugopal, Correspondent, Amrita School of Education were present on the occasion. Prof. C. Vidya Pai, Principal, Amrita School of Arts and Science, presided.

Following are the winners of Brain Bytes - 2017:

I prize: H.P. Pruthvi & N. Shankar Athreya, Vijaya Vittala PU College.

II prize: G. Shruthi Bhonsle & Rahul Ganesh, Sadvidya Semi-Residential College.

III Prize: R. Rahul & J. Ashwin, Atomic Energy School.

Vigilance Awareness Week at CSRTI

Mysuru, Nov.12 (SV)- The Central Sericultural Research and Training Institute, Mysuru, had organised a Vigilance Awareness Week - 2017 from Oct.30 to Nov.4.

During the valedictory, chief guest H. Shekhar Tekkannavar, DCP, Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB), Mysuru, said that despite stringent laws to deal with corruption, it is up to the public as well as officials to take a call against corrupt practices as they are detrimental to development and progress of the nation.

He further called upon the public to take all the measures to check incidences of corrupt practices by resorting various ways and means available at their disposal.

He distributed prizes to the winners of the elocution and essay contests, which were conducted as a part of vigilance awareness week.

Dr. V. Sivaprasad, Director - CSRTI, Mysuru, in his presidential address, elaborated upon various measures and norms introduced by the Central Vigilance Committee for bringing down the rate of corruption in public life. He stressed on inculcating the values of honesty and integrity in children at a very young age and bringing them up as a moral force in the society as they are the future of the country.

Further, he emphasised on the need for creating awareness about the ill-effects of the corruptive practices which are detrimental to the progress of the country. He called upon the officials to be very alert in implementation of rules and regulations in day-to-day work and contribute towards the overall development of the country.

Entrepreneurship Development Programme from Nov.15

Mysuru, Nov.12 (SV)- A 10-day residential Entrepreneurship Development Programme will be conducted by RUDSETI (Rural Development & Self Employment Training Institute), Mysuru, from Nov.15 to Nov.24.

This programme is exclusively for the benefit of Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) beneficiaries.

Candidates, who have not undergone Entrepreneurship Development Prog. during last financial year 2016-17, are eligible.

The candidates belonging to Mysuru district, who were sanctioned loans from their respective Banks, but have not undergone the Entrepreneurship Development Programme under PMEGP, must directly contact below said address for further information within Nov.14. They will have to bring their Bank loan sanctioned letter. For details, contact: Director, RUDSETI, Hunsur Main Road, Hinkal, Mysuru - 570030 [Ph: 0821-2519663 or Mob: 88845-54510.

Technical Talks for Civil Engineering students at NIE

Seen in the picture are** (from left) **Dr. N. Suresh, HoD, Civil Engineering; Nikhil Jagadish, Director, Sankalp Group; M.T. Arasu, MD, Career Prime Campus Recruitment Solution; Dr. G. Ravi, Principal, NIE and Dr. Y.M. Manjunath, Staff Advisor, Dept. of the Civil Engineering, NIE, during the technical talk at NIE.

Mysuru, Nov.12 (SV)- Technical talks were organised by Civil Engineering Association (CEA) at the Department of Civil Engineering, the National Institute of Engineering (NIE), Mysuru, on Nov.3.

Nikhil Jagadish, Director, Sankalp Group, presented a session on 'Facing the realities of construction world' and shared his experience on facing the construction industry in India and Abroad. He advised the students to keep updating their knowledge and skills continuously, and learn modern tools and technologies. He dealt on future possibilities in use of Building Information Modelling (BIM) and Virtual Reality (VR) in the construction industry.

M.T. Arasu, Managing Director, Career Prime Campus Recruitment Solution, presented a talk on 'Career opportunities in Civil Engineering' and discussed about the variety of opportunities available for Civil Engineers.

Training workshop held for Visually Impaired

Mysuru, Nov.12 (SV)- Ranga Rao Memorial School of Disabled (RMSD), N.R. Group, hosted a training workshop that was organised by the National Federation of the Blind, Karnataka, for visually impaired, on Nov. 4 and 5, in their school premises.

The workshop was inaugurated by R. Guru, Chairman, N.R. Group and Hemanth, Manager, National Federation of the Blind.

Speaking about the workshop, R. Guru said, "The workshop is a well-thought through initiative taken by bodies working for the betterment of visually impaired people. The training session will not only help them to develop better skills but will also assist in shaping their future."

The workshop aimed to train and guide the visually impaired students on various assistive devices (Smartphone, Daisy player and Smart Cane), capacity building and future career options. The short-term training regime has been aided by 'National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities.'

The programme is providing special counselling and imparting information regarding access to assistive reading and learning devices.

The two-day session saw participation from RMSD students of class 8th, 9th and 10th along with its teachers and alumni.

RMSD is a free residential school for visually challenged girls from economically disadvantaged background, giving them a platform for education and well-being.

Faiaz, Executive Committee Member, Mahesh Kumar, Librarian, Hampaiah, Braille Transcriptor, and Sachin, Daisy Player Consultant, were also present during the occasion.

Exam for appointment of teachers held

Mysuru, Nov.12 (RKB&DM)- The two-day exam for recruitment of Graduate Primary School Teachers (6th to 8th std.) began at seven centres across the city yesterday. The exam is being conducted by the Department of Public Instruction.

The centres were Cauvery Educational Institutions, Kuvempunagar, SDM PU College, Krishnamurthypuram, Marimallappa PU College, Maharshi Public School, Gopalaswamy High School, Nanjumalige, Mahajana PU College and Chinmaya High School in Jayalakshmipuram.

Out of the 2,909 candidates, who had registered for the exam, 2,366 candidates appeared for the general paper held yesterday. The English language test was held in the afternoon session at only one centre — Gopalaswamy High School, as only 489 candidates had registered for this test.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
College Kumar	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
Biko	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Sathya Harishchandra	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Tarak	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
Raajaru	Lido	2420885	2 Shows
Psycho Shankra	Lido	2420885	2 Shows
Samyuktha 2	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Bharjari	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Nuggekai	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
Kataka	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
6-5=2 (Part-2)	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Mersal	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
Aramm	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
HINDI			
Maheruh	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
Foreigner	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Rasik Balma	Uma	2520009	4 Shows

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Thor: Ragnarok (E-3D)	(S-1)	11 am, 1.45 pm, 4.45 pm 7.25 pm, 9.55 pm
Psycho Shankra (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am
Aramm (Ta)	(S-2)	1.55 pm
Golmaal Again (H)	(S-2)	4.20 pm, 7.10 pm
The House Next Door (H)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
College Kumar (K)	(S-3)	11.00 am
	(S-4)	4.25 pm
Ittefaq (H)	(S-3)	2.00 pm
P.S. Garuda Vega (Te)	(S-3)	4.05 pm
Secret Super Star (H)	(S-3)	7.05 pm
C/o Surya (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
My Little Pony (E)	(S-4)	11.30 am
Qarib Qarib Singlle (H)	(S-4)	2.00 pm, 7.05, 9.50 pm

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Thor: Ragnarok (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.25 am, 4 pm, 6.45, 9.30
Qarib Qarib Singlle (H)	(S-3)	9.50 am, 2.25 pm, 7.20, 9.55
College Kumar (K)	(S-2)	10.25 am, 4.15 pm
Golmaal Again (H)	(S-2)	1.15 pm
Psycho Shankra (K)	(S-3)	12.15 pm
Shaadi Mein Zaroor Aana (H)	(S-1)	1.10 pm
	(S-2)	7.05 pm
C/o Surya (Te)	(S-2)	9.50 pm
Biko (K)	(S-4)	11.00 am
Raajaru (K)	(S-4)	1.40 pm
Samyuktha 2 (K)	(S-4)	4.25 pm
Ippadai Vellum (Ta)	(S-4)	9.45 pm
Aramm (Ta)	(S-3)	4.55 pm
The House Next Door (H)	(S-4)	6.55 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

TV TONIGHT

ZEE TV
- 4:00 pm Zee Gold Awards 2017
- 7:30 Dance India Dance
- 9:00 Dance India Dance
- 10:30 Fear Files: Darr Ki Sacchi Tasvirein
- 11:30 Bhootu

Star Plus
- 5:00 pm Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai
- 5:30 Rishton Ka Chakravyuh
- 6:30 Dance Champions
- 8:00 Great Indian Laughter Challenge
- 9:00 Dance Champions
- 10:30 Great Indian Laughter Challenge

SONY
- 3:30 pm Super Dancer
- 8:00 Super Dancer
- 9:00 Drama Company
- 10:00 CID
- 11:00 Crime Patrol - Satark

Discovery Channel
- 5:00 pm Walking the Americas
- 6:00 Man Vs. Wild
- 7:00 How Do They Do It?
- 7:30 Food Factory
- 8:00 Devil's Canyon
- 9:00 Diesel Brothers
- 10:00 Street Justice: The Bronx

Star Sports 1
- 6:00 pm Australia Tour of India 2013 (ODIs) H/Is
- 6:30 BWF Grand Prix Gold and Grand Prix H/Is
- 7:00 Australia Tour of India (ODI)
- 7:30 ISL Heroes
- 8:00 New Zealand Tour of India 2017 H/Is : 3rd T20

National Geographic
- 5:00 pm Machine Impossible
- 6:00 Snakes in the City
- 7:00 World's Worst Natural Disasters
- 8:00 Lion Ranger
- 9:00 S.o.s : Smartest show on TV
- 9:30 S.o.s
- 10:00 The Last Days of Osama Bin

Cartoon Network
- 6:00 pm Oggy and the Cockroaches
- 8:00 Roll No. 21
- 9:00 Teen Titans Go
- 9:30 Horrid Henry
- 10:00 Dragon Ball
- 10:30 Dragon Ball

GV
- 4:00 pm Sadrishyavakyathile Sangeetham
- 4:30 Kadhakalkkappuram
- 5:00 The Great Father
- 8:00 Laughing Villa
- 9:00 Star War
- 10:00 Kadhakalkkappuram

Udaya
- 12:30 pm Movie: **Tyson**
- 3:00 Movie: **Maryade Ramanna**
- 6:00 Movie: **Ranna**
- 9:00 Movie: **Chowka**

MOVIES TONIGHT

Star Movies
- 2:15 pm **Speed 2 Cruise Control**
- 4:55 **Titanic**
- 9:00 **Life of Pi**

HBO
- 5:01 pm **The Hangover Part III**
- 6:48 **Suicide Squad**
- 9:00 **The Director's Cut**

WB
- 4:57 pm **Grown Ups 2**
- 6:39 **Once Upon a Time in China**
- 9:00 **Ip Man 3**

Sony MAX
- 5:10 pm **Movie**
- 7:55 **Movie**
- 9:00 **Movie**

Zee Cinema
- 5:06 pm **Singh Is Bliing**
- 8:00 **Dangal**
- 11:23 **Khel Power Ka**

Cinema TV
- 4:00 pm **Jeene Do: Let Us Live**
- 7:00 **Teleshopping**
- 8:20 **Arjun Ka Badla**

Sony PIX
- 5:27 pm **Despicable Me**
- 7:30 **Big Hero 6**
- 9:52 **Hanna**

Udaya Movies
- 4:00 pm **Shruthi Seridaga**
- 7:00 **Jamindaaru**
- 10:00 **Golmal Part II**

StarGOLD
- 5:30 pm **The Ghazi Attack**
- 8:05 **A Gentleman**
- 10:50 **Baadshaho**

EVENTS TODAY (NOV.12)

Ganabharathi: Vainika Shikhamani Veene Seshanna Day, *Veena Utsava*, Ganabharathi, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **up to 9 pm.**

Ramsons Kala Pratishtana: Bombe Mane, an expo of exquisite dolls from across India, Pratima Gallery, #91, above Aamrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **up to 7.30 pm.**

Cottonfab-2017: Grand Exhibition of Cotton and Silk, Traditional Handlooms — Sarees, Dress Material, Kurties, Salwar-Kameez, Home Furnishing, Bharat Scouts & Guides, DC's office, **up to 9 pm.**

Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota: 62nd Kannada Rajyotsava, Art Expo by U.G. Mohan Kumar Aradhya (Theme - People behind Karnataka Unification), Scholar Dr. Malali Vasanthakumar inaugurates, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna presides, Suchitra Art Gallery, Kalamandira, **up to 7 pm.**

Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens (Mysuru Zoo): 'Animal Adoption Week' and inauguration of 'Botany and Zoological Club,' Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar inaugurates and interacts with the animal adopters, Zoo Authority of Karnataka (ZAK) Chairperson Mallige Veeresh presides, nominated Directors of ZAK B.N. Karigowda, K. Tukaram, S.N. Raju, Amjad Khan, Latha Jagadish and Dr. T. Shivandappa, CSIR, Emeritus Scientist, Professor, Department of Zoology, University of Mysore, B.P. Ravi, Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Member Secretary, ZAK, Mysuru, chief guests, 'Vanyaranga' (Amphitheatre), Zoo premises, **4 pm.**

Sadhana Mandira: Laghunyasa and Rudram classes by Acharya Swami Hamsananda, 'Sri Ramakrishna Krupa,' # 435, 6th Main, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **4.30 pm;** Sri Ramana Jnana Kendra, near BGS Hospital, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm;** Shivananda Jnanalaya, next to Nadabrahma Sangeeta Sabha, JLB Road, **7.15 pm**.

Masjid-e-Mubeen: 3rd Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) and Pratibha Puraskar programme, Masjid-e-Mubeen premises, N.R. Mohalla, **5 pm.**

Yekata Nrityalaya and Kala Sandesha Prathishtana: Naatyagama-2017, an event featuring Indian Dance Forms, Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Gouripriya Sethuram, **6 pm;** Kathak by Vid. Naveen Hegde, **7 pm;** Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Deepti Aadishesh, K. Vasudevacharya Bhavan, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **8 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'The Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Rangayana: Staging of play 'Shikhari,' Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana, **6.30 pm.**

Vokkaligara Kshemabhivruddhi Sangha, KHB Colony, Hootagalli: Pratibha Puraskar, felicitation to Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences (Bengaluru) Director Dr. C.N. Manjunath and veteran littérateur Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar (CPK), Adichunchanagiri Mysuru Shakha Mutt Seer Sri Someshwaranatha Swamiji graces, MP Pratap Simha inaugurates, MLAs Vasu and G.T. Devegowda, former MLA Satyanarayana chief guests, Sangha President Dr. D.L. Balakrishna presides, Ganapati Temple premises, KHB Colony, Hootagalli, **6.30 pm.**

Avadhoota Datta Peetha: Diamond Jubilee Year Celebrations of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, Nakshatra Ishti for the well-being of the society, Bhajans and Namasankeertana, Poundarika Rangastala, Ashrama premises, Nanjangud-Ooty Road, **6.30 pm.**

U.K. Arts and Cultural Trust: Staging of Kotaganahalli Ramaiah's play *'Nayi Tippa'* (Director - Manjula Narayan) by inmates of Narendra Nele (shelter-less children), Kalamandira, **7 pm.**

Ashtanga Yogavijnana Mandiram: Discourse on 'Danvantari Jayanti' by Vid. B.G. Ananta, Mandiram premises, #957, Seshadri Iyer Road, Lakshmipuram, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (NOV. 13)

Sadhana Mandira: Laghunyasa and Rudram classes by Acharya Swami Hamsananda, Sadhana Mandira, 4th Cross, 1st Stage, Brindavan Extension, **6.30 am;** Sri Krishna Mandira, Chaitanya Bhavan, 6th Main, 4th Cross, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **7.45 am;** 'Kohinoor', Opp. Maruti Hotel, Shivaji Road, N.R. Mohalla, **10.30 am;** Chandramoulishwara Temple, V.V. Mohalla, **11.45 am;** 'Sri Ramakrishna Krupa,' # 435, 6th Main, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **4.30 pm;** Sri Ramana Jnana Kendra, near BGS Hospital, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm;** Shivananda Jnanalaya, next to Nadabrahma Sangeeta Sabha, JLB Road, **7.15 pm**.

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Department of Electronics, All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Naimisham Campus, Manasagangothri: Hearing Aid Repair Camp, SP Ravi D. Channannavar chief guest, Music University Registrar Dr. Niranjan Vanalli guest of honour, AIISH Director Dr. S.R. Savithri presides, Quadrangle, Dept. of Electronics, AIISH, **9 am.**

The Indian Institute of Architects, Mysuru Centre: India Architecture & Furniture Expo, J.K. Grounds, **10.30 am to 8.30 pm.**

Kalisu Foundation: 'Kamanabillu,' Cine actress Shanvi Srivastava inaugurates, city artist Badal Nanjundsway, 'Tarak' movie Assistant Director Suraj Kumar, and BEO Vivekananda chief guests, Government Higher Primary School, Hootagalli, **10.30 am.**

Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre: Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations and prize distribution to the winners of Geetha Gayana Competition, writer Dr. Kabbinale Vasantha Bharadwaj guest of honour, IEI Mysuru Chairman N. Chinnaswamy presides, Institution premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Sri Mahadeshwara Swamy Temple Nayakara Sangha, Sunnadakeri: Sri Mahadeshwaraswamy Utsava and Agni Kondotsava, Sangha premises, Sunnadakeri, Narayana Shastri Road, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Ambabavani Temple: 13th Laksha Deepotsava, **6.30 pm;** Divya Satsang programme by Sandeep and troupe of Sri Ravishankar Guruji's Art of Living, Temple premises, #63, Jai Ambabhavani Circle, N.R. Mohalla, **7 pm.**

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